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Teachers' and nurses' hopes dashed

# Labour clamps pay with new freeze

By Nicholas Wood and Ian Murray

NURSES and doctors are due for disappointment next week when the Cabinet imposes its own freeze on the £80 billion public sector pay bill.

Yesterday, nurses underlined their hopes of 20 per cent pay rises next year and doctors' leaders prepared to announce a claim for double-

However, amid signs of increasing unrest over salary levels among five million state employees, ministers indicated that they would not be moved by the clamour for a relaxation of the strict pay curbs first imposed by the Tories. Next week Alistair Darling. Chief Secretary to the Treasury, will tell chairmen of review bodies covering 1.3 million public sector workers that the freeze on the overail pay bill will remain in place for

Mr Darling's uncompromising message, agreed with Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, who is abroad, means that increases next spring will be held to about 3 per cent for

most types of staff. Mr Darling will stick to the Conservatives' insistence that public sector pay increases must be funded out of efficiency gains or other savings. His approach will mean that for the fifth year in succession

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groups such as doctors, teachers and nurses will find that overall pay bills are held flat.

Senior Treasury officials said yesterday that with the Government committed for another year to meeting tough spending limits inherited from the Tories, there was little room for manoeuvre over pay. They said that in the Treasury's economic evidence to review body chiefs, last year's freeze on the overall pay bill would be reimposed.

They hinted at some leeway, however, pointing out that ministers took "fairness" over pay as their watchword and that they were busy reviewing departmental budgets to see if extra cash could be released by juggling with resources. Policy changes, such as scrapping the assisted places scheme, were also releasing money. One aide said: "The Gover

ment is committed to the existing public spending figures, so it is committed to keeping total public spending within existing plans and keeping departmental budgets within those plans. The Chancellor has added extra money for health and education next year, but ministers have made clear that they want that to go to patient care and schools. and not to pay." As the Treasury sought to

hold the line on pay, leaders of some of the most influential professional groups made clear that they were becoming exasperated by their contin-uing failure to do more than keep pace with inflation.

The British Medical Association is expected to renew claims on Tuesday that its 115,000 ductors need rises of more than 50 per cent to restore the place in the earnings pecking order that they enjoyed in 1980. The General Secretary of

the National Association of Schoolmasters / Union of Women Teachers, Nigel de Gruchy, said that an explosion of anger was in the offing. The National Union of Teachers, the biggest of the teaching unions, is pressing for a "substantial increase"

Yesterday, nurses leaders ing rise, as much as 20 per cent, and said that they were not prepared to see their yet another year.

Their review body evidence showed that newly registered nurses would need at least 20 per cent more to bring them into line with the starting salary of a police constable. and 13 per cent to be comparable with the pay of a qualifed social worker.

At 10,000ft above Ross on Wye, Hereford-shire, Ian Ashpole, aged 42, is dwarfed by the more than 400 helium-filled toy balloons be used to break the world altitude record for this form of flight. He already holds the record for the world's highest trapeze act, highest tightrope act, highest abseil and

highest bungee jump. He was attached by a

harness to the balloons, each 2ft in diameter.

and was lifted to the target altitude by hot-air

balloon. He then cut himself free, first from

the hot-air balloon and then one by one from

the toys, finally freefalling and parachuting to earth. After his daredevil stunt he said: "It was a fantastic sensation, floating in complete silence beneath all those balloons. The feeling of peacefulness and calm was unbelievable. I love being up in the air - I think it's safer than being on the ground! When the time came to release myself from the balloons 1 had to cut the cord attached to each. As more of them were released. I fell more and more quickly. By the time I had cut the last few I was free-falling at about 90 miles an hour."

### THE TIMES NEXT WEEK Princes moved by

PRINCES William and Harry said last night that all of the thousands of people who have written to them about their mother's death will receive a

dealing with the mail.

were very touched, all of them. and they just could not believe the many, many letters from all ages and from so many countries. The Princes want to

On their visit the Princes sat at separate desks with their father between them reading a selection of the notes.

Monday, read one letter saluting his bravery during the

words of comfort

By Daniel McGrory

walked through London behind his mother's coffin. The letter,from a boy of his own age, said: "It's very difficult to put all this into words, but I really wanted to write to you

The two young Princes and the Prince of Wales spent several hours in St James's Palace carlier this week poring over the mountain of tributes, poems and gifts, after they had gone to thank staff

A spokesman said: "They

say a sincere thank you." So far more than 300,000 letters have arrived at the Palace, some from children simply addressed to "Diana". An extra 30 staff were last night drafted into the Palace to deal with the mail.

Prince Harry, who is 13 on

The WRVS, who are helping in the clean-up operation, last night joined the singer Elton John in appealing for an end to the laying of flowers. It is predicted that it will take six weeks to move the 15,000 tonnes of blooms.

and tell you that you're a real

brave guy." A letter to William

and Harry said: "This is a note

to say be brave, don't be afraid

The volunteer army who are

painstakingly removing the

floral tributes from London

streets yesterday moved into

Kensington Palace where the bouquets were shoulder-deep.

Police said they expect truf-

fie chaos in West London over

the weekend as more families

leave their tributes.

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# Fear of flying is penalty for Arsenal

BY OLIVER HOLF FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

THE image of English foorball as the home of an exotic band of worldly players pushing back national boundaries so quickly that a European league will soon be upon us. was dealt an embarrassing blow yesterday when one of its biggest names explained that he would have to miss a crucial match for his club next week because he is frightened

Bergkamp. Dennis

Dutch forward who cost Arsenal a record transfer fee of £7.5 million when they signed him two years ago. vowed never to fly again after series of incidents as he travelled around America with the Dutch team during

the 1994 World Cup. Since he has been with Arsenal, he has driven himself to matches in Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and France. and had never missed a club game because of his fears. Next Tuesday night.

Greek side PAOK Saloniki in Salonika in the first leg of the first round of the Uela Cup. Yesterday, at the club's training ground near St Albans. Bergkomp admitted he would not be going. "It was impossible for me to

do it by car because we are playing tomorrow and then I would have to travel for three days," he said. "I do not feel guilty about it. I made the decision three years ago."

Arsene Wenger, the Arsenai manager, said he was rethough. Arsenal will meet the signed to losing Bergkamp for

the game. "There are only going to be very few clubs he cannot travel to." he said. ☐ Bergkamp could have travelled by coach, via Channel ferry or tunnel. By coach, he would have had to leave London this morning from Victoria at 10.30am, arriving in Athens a day and a hall later, at 2am, then to Salonika by rail, arriving at 1.32am, for a shower and some sleep before the game. Alternative-

ly, he could go all the way by

train, arriving at Salonika at

1.32am on Monday.



"Left at Diana Road, right at the Centre, past the Diana Arms . . . .

# Blair seeks to swing Welsh votes after **Scots victory**

By Nicholas Watt. Valerie Elliott AND SHIRLEY ENGLISH

A TRIUMPHANT Tony Blair travelled to Wales last night to urge voters to follow Scotland's example by endorsing an assembly in next week's referendum.

With Labour facing a tough fight to secure victory on Thursday, Mr Blair sought to build on the momentum of his success in Scotland by staging a walkabout in the centre of Cardiff and appealing to Welsh voters to deliver "a constitution fit for the 21st

century".
The Prime Minister said he hoped that Labour's success in Scotland, which saw voters backing a parliament by a margin of three to one and also endorsing tax-varying powers, would inspire people in Wales.

His intervention in Labour's flagging campaign in Wales came amid continuing signs that voters are divided over an assembly. An ICM poll this week for The Guardian showed that 37 per cent of assembly, while 36 per cent rejected it, with 27 per cent undecided.

To loud cheers from shoppers in Cardiff, he described the Scottish vote as "the kind of process of change that should carry on next Thursday here in Wales, "It's about bringing Government closer

William Hague, the Conser-vative leader, said last night that he could defeat the Government in Wales. He added: They are being offered a pale shadow of what has been offered in Scotland."

Poll experts in Wales yesterday believed that the Scottish factor could bring another 10 or 12 per cent of support to the

"yes" campaign.
Ron Davies, the Welsh Secretary, will lead the final charge of the compaign up to next Thursday but will be assisted by senior ministers. MPs. MEPs, and Scottish devolution activists who are expected to arrive in Wales over the next few days.

In Edinburgh earlier yesterday Mr Blair addressed the

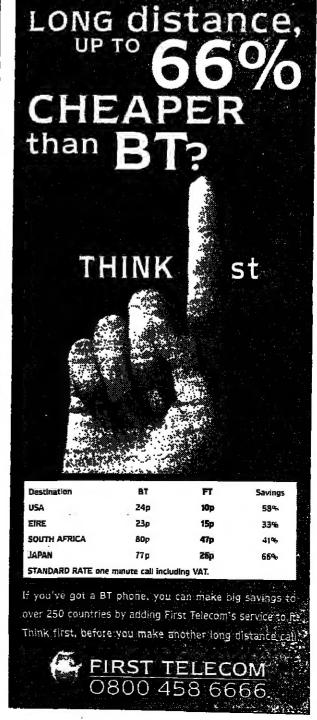
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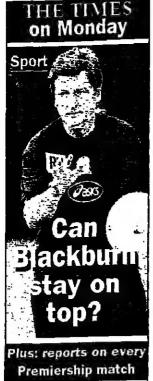
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hundreds who had gathered in Parliament Square, off the Royal Mile. As the crowd roared. Mr Blair walked triaccompanied by Donald Dewar, the Scottish Secretary Mr Dewar delivered an

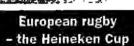
emotional address in which he hailed the final tally in which 74.3 per cent of voters endorsed a Parliament, with 63.5 per cent agreeing that the body should have tax-varying

However, Mr Hague, speaking in London, said it: It has been a sad night for the future of Scotland and the UK. But we have to respect the views of the people and clearly there will be a Scottish Parlia-









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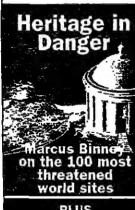
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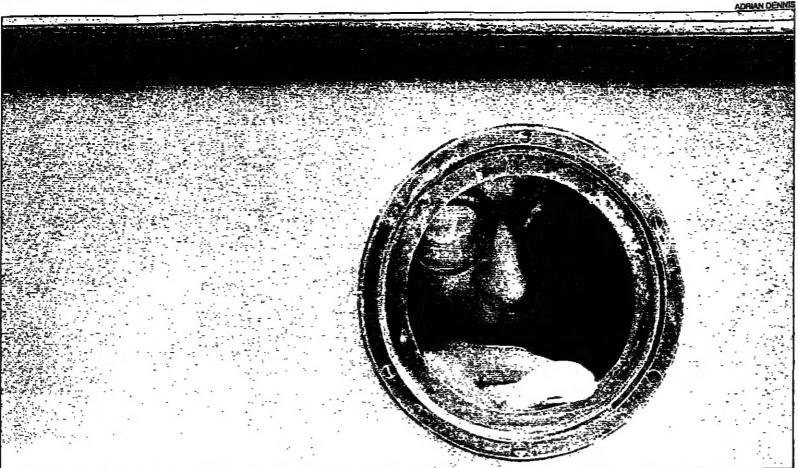




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Ed Stevens putting the finishing touches to a Norfolk Smuggler yacht at the Southampton Boat Show, which runs for a week from today

### Mental hospital closures halted

MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

PLANS to close the 35 remaining long-stay psy-chiatric hospitals are being frozen while a new vetting system is put in place to ensure adequate alternative care in the community services are

Announcing the freeze vesterday, Paul Boateng, the Health Minister, said care in the community had lost credibility. "It is perceived as having failed to deliver both in terms of the patients and in terms of the wider community," he said.

But he added that there would be no extra money for community care. Advice on the level of care in each area will be

eiven to the Government by a 26-member independent reference group, in-cluding Marjorie Wallace, Chief Executive charity Sane, Dr Matt Muijen, director of the sbury Centre for Mental Health, and Michael Howlett from the

Zito Trust.

Ms Wallace, recently elected an bonorary fellow of the Royal College of Psychiatrists, said she would feed in information received from the thousand people a week who called Sane's helpline.

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# Blair warns Sinn Fein over ceasefire breach

By MARTIN FLETCHER, CHIEF IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

night moved to secure the Ulster Unionist Party's presence at next week's full-scale peace negotiations by vowing to eject Sinn Fein from them if the IRA breaks its ceasefire. Speaking on the eve of

today's crucial UUP executive meeting, Tony Blair said that Sinn Fein and the IRA were inextricably linked, and that if the republicans breached the Mitchell principles of democracy and non-violence "they will be out of the talks". Mr Blair also declared that "there must be no change in the constitutional status of Northern Ireland without the consent of the majority of people in Northern Ireland."

Those two statements should do much to reassure Unionists following Thursday's provocative IRA disavowal of the Mitchell principles to which Sinn Fein

THE Prime Minister last had committed iself just two days earlier, and what was seen as an attempt by Mo Mowlam, the Northern Ireland Secretary, to dilute the principle of consent

However Mr Blair failed to meet another UUP demand that the IRA be required to disarm during the negotiations. Loathe to unravel a carefully-constructed compromise, he said only that "we want to see actual decommissioning" during the talks. Mr Blair said that he des-

perately wanted the Unionists join the talks. It is now widely expected that the UUP executive will today opt to stay in the process while opposing face-to-face talks with Sinn Fein, and will give David Trimble, the party leader, flexibility to proceed as he sees fit. That could mean "proximity talks" of the sort used to negotiate peace in Bosnia, or



Trimble: promise gives flexibility to proceed

insisting on a delay until Sinn Fein explains the IRA's move. UUP officials said they believed that the IRA interview in An Phoblacht, the mouthpiece of the republican movement, was a ploy to provoke a Unionist boycott, but insisted

the party would not fall into that trap. The smaller Democratic Unionist and UK Unionist parties have already abandoned the peace process.

If the UUP quit as well it would not only attract international condemnation, but give London and Dublin the opportunity to impose a settlement favourable to republicans.

Mr Adams, the Sinn Fein president, insisted he wanted inclusive talks, and urged Unionist leaders to join Sinn Fein at the talks on Monday. He admitted the interview's timing was "unfortunate" but insisted the ensuing furore "nonsensical". He said he signed the Mitchell principles on behalf of Sinn Fein alone and that the IRA was a separate organisation.

A car bomb exploded in the Irish Republic yesterday in what was believed to be a revenge attack for the murder of a cross-border drug-dealer linked with terrorists.

### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

### Schoolboys detained for machete murder

Six schoolboys who were part of a Triad-style gang that ran-off laughing after their leader had stabbed to death 14 year. old Carl Rickard with a machete, were ordered to be detained by an Old Bailey judge yesterday. Clive Tayler QC. sentenced four of the youths - aged 15 to 17 - to three and a half years' detention and the other two to three years. None of them can be named because of their youth. The judge described their attack as "cowardly", adding:

Society cannot tolerate this type of behaviour. Rickard, known as "CJ", was murdered outside his school in front of fellow pupils by Nathan Brown, 16, the gang leader. On Tuesday Brown was ordered to bedetained for life after being found guilty of murder.

### Boy missing in Norfolk

Police were searching last night for a 12-year-old boy who vanished after leaving home on Tuesday for his first day at a new school (Michael Horsnell writes). Daniel Whittle, from Gorleston. Norfolk, lives about 20 miles from Happisburgh, the home of Thomas Marshall, 12. who was strangled last month. A police spokesman said: "It would be foolish to close our minds to the possibility of a link."

### Overladen and over limit

A woman who had at least nine young children in her car while twice the legal alcohol limit was jailed for three months. Amanda Ryan-McCurdy, 24, of Salford, near Manchester, was stopped by police while taking children home after their parents failed to fetch them from a football match. Her lawyer said she had been at a party the previous night and had not realised she was over the limit.

### Labour funds missing

Mick Collins, a Labour member of Doneaster council, has apparently disappeared after party officials found more than £2,000 missing from the Adwick branch of the local party. Police are investigating the missing money. They are working separately from the police team set up to inquire into allegations that Doncaster councillors helped devel-opers by zoning more land for building than was necessary.

### Plea to save pond life

The conservationist David Bellamy yesterday launched Pond Week 97, part of a campaign to save ponds and wildlife such as frogs and newts. Dr Bellamy said: "Ponds are disappearing at an alarming rate and with them a rich variety of wildlife." Since the annual Pond Week began ten years ago some 600 ponds in the South East have been saved, restored or created.

### Judge rewards barrister

A barrister who helped police to trap an armed robber was given a 5500 reward by a judge at Manchester Crown Court. Steven Levine was in a Midland Bank in Manchester when Roy Conning, 32, of Liverpool, pointed a gun at him after demanding money from the cashiers. Conning ran off with £2,600 but Mr Levine gave chase and alerted police in a passing car. Conning was jailed for 16 years.

### Maori heads returned

The first three of up to 200 shrunken heads of Maori warriors still held in British museums are to be returned to New Zealand. They were taken from victims of tribal wars Ors 25 CUTK century. Three held by museums at Whitby and Scarborough are being returned for ritual burial after a request from the Maori Affairs Minister.

### Passport to diplomacy

More than 800 students, pupils, careers advisers and community leaders will watch British diplomacy in action when the Foreign Office throws open its doors to outsiders for the first time on Friday so that they can see how it works. The aim is to encourage more women, minority groups and others who may not have thought of a career in diplomacy. Heritage Day, page 13; leading article, page 23

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### BA deal lifts cabin crew strike threat

By Jon Ashworth

THE threat of further strikes at British Airways was lifted yesterday when the airline struck a deal with cabin crew

unions over budget savings. Talks had been continuing since July's three-day strike which cost BA an estimated £125 million. The Transport and General Workers' Union tabled proposals which BA has accepted will achieve the £42 million of savings it

wanted in its cabin crew operation. Fewer than 300 BA staff officially went on strike, but hundreds more went sick. disrupting flights for weeks. Staff were angry at "macho-management" tactics by BA in its search for annual cost-savings of El billion.

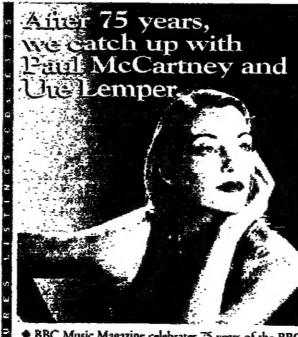
Bob Ayling, BA's chief executive, said the agreement signalled "a genuinely new beginning for relations and spirit of cooperation inside the company". Bill Morris, general secretary of the TGWU,

ment to the airline's competitive success. In an important concession, BA has lifted sanctions imposed on staff who openly went on strike. They faced being barred from promotion for three years and lost the right to travel privileges. The mainstream TGWU cabin crew union. the British Airline Stewards and Stewardesses Association (Bassa), has been allowed to reopen offices at Heathrow and Gatwick.

said the deal showed the union's commit-

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Nicola Horlick: advised

City star with five children has warned next generation about

pitfalls of combining motherhood and career, writes John O'Leary

YOUNG women must beware of trying to live up to a superwoman image by combining 12-hour days at the office with bringing up a family. Nicola Horlick, the City's hest-known career mother, told a conference of head girls last night. Airs Horlick, who achieved ce-lebrity status last year when she was suspended from her job as a El millam-a-year fund manager. told 80 girls at a leadership conference that they should plan ahead if they wanted a career and children. Her own career path had

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been chosen to combine the two. Corporate lawyer, junior doctor and marketing director were all jobs to avoid for those who would want time with their children, Mrs. Horlick said before her conference appearance. "Of course, there have been women who have been successful in these fields and raised

general trainee with S.G. Warburg, she had surveyed the range of banking opportunities before identifying asset management as the one most conducive to family

i always leave work to be home by 6.30-6.45 and I have never had to work weekends. I now spend quite a lot of time in the evenings with my H-year-old."

Mrs Horlick, now a senior executive with Societé Generale, a French bank, added: "If you are going to have children, you have got to spend enough time with them. It simply isn't possible to work 14 hours a day and have a realistic relationship with your children." With five children and a series of high-powered jobs, Mrs. Horlick has often been dubbed a superwoman, but it is a title she

there are many others around the place. The fact that I might earn a lot of money doesn't make me any different."

Mrs Horlick said: "I have never been very happy with the Superwoman label. Superman is a sort of Jesus Christ type of figure, flying around doing good; Superwoman conjures up a picture of a completely exhausted woman with broken nails and bags under her eyes trying to juggle responsibilities. The concepts just don't match."

The annual meeting, at Wimbledon High School, has the title of Beyond Superwoman. A poll of sixth-formers at schools belonging to the Girls Public Day School Trust showed that many thought the concept outdated. Only 13 per cent intended to work full-time

OLD BOYS DIG IN THEIR HEELS

A YEAR after the merger of a town's boys' school with the neighbouring girls' school. old boys said that they would resign en masse if forced to admit old girls to their association (David Charter writes). More than 70 Old Berkhamstedians are threatening to form a breakaway society if they fail to prevent the formation of a joint alumni association in a vote today. Many old boys of Berk-

ready outraged at the adoption of the name Berkhamsted Collegiate School for the tees of the Old Berkham-stedians' Association and the Old Girls' Guild support merger but there is fury among the association's rank and file. The composer and conduc-tor Antony Hopkins, 76. said: "I think this is monstrous,

l am an Old Berkhamstedian and why the hell should I not continue to be an Old Berkhamstedian."

before their children went to school, with 38 per cent favouring part-time work.

shire (founded 1541), were al-

Mrs Horlick said: "Some of the girls seem to think they can push the frontiers out even further than my generation has done, in terms working longer hours. But

others seem to be reacting to their parents' lives and want to stay at home and have children. It may be that girls are moving in that direction, although it is difficult to say whether they will do what they

Mrs Horlick, a former trust

although not head girl) is involved in establishing a fund to replace its 34,000 assisted places, "I think one of the great benefits of Birkenhead was the wide social mix, and I

would hate that to be lost." She advised the teenagers to take advantage of summer internships and other work-experience schemes to gauge which careers would suit their lifestyle. "Girls are in a much better position nowadays to judge whether a cureer is going to be right for them."

However, Mrs Horlick warned the girls that there was still a social stigma attached to working motherhood, "Many men and women have been very aggressive towards me, but I think I am a better

mother for having worked." Advising girls to keep an open mind on returning to work after having children, she said: "If I thought my children were suffering I would stop working. It is impor-tant to have the right sort of childcare if you are going to work."

# Sculptor quits over 'tasteless' **RA** show

By Dalya Alberge, arts correspondent

signed from the Royal Acadeof Arts yesterday, attacking the "nauseating hypocrisy" of his colleagues in allowing a controversial exhibition of blood and dismembered limbs to be shown.

The sculptor Michael Sandle said last night that he could no longer tolerate "their stupidity, hypocrisy and moral cowardice". He said: "The exhibition was foisted upon us because of a gap when another exhibition fell through. It is the awful hype about this show which I find distasteful."

He attacked the institution for borrowing a ready-made exhibition from Charles Saatchi. It includes a portrait of Myra Hindley made from children's handprints, by Marcus Harvey, and sculptures such as the Chapman brothers' dismembered, bloody limbs, torso and head

of a mutilated corpse. The RA should not take on a an exhibition reflecting Saatchi's lack of taste. There is going to be blood on the carpet over this, a tremendous row. My resignation is just the thin end of the wedge," he said. The trouble is we've been used as stooges by [Norman] Rosenthal | the exhibition secretary) for rather too long. We. the academicians, are the reason the place is there. It's treated like an old people's

He accused Mr Rosenthal of using the RA as a springboard for his own career. Professor Sandle, whose

work is represented in collections such as the Tate and Metropolitan in New York and whose commissions include a George Orwell memorial in Wigan, said the language he used in breaking

ACADEMICIAN re- the news of his resignation was probably "still ringing in their ears". He became an academician in 1982, "It no longer feels like an honour. I feel they have dishonoured thsmelves." he said.

"I rather hope people are going to decide the time has come to get back to basics and find out what the Academy is about. It's not about merchandising and selling T-shirts. It's not their remit. They're supposed to foster standards. They've sold out in a way they will bitterly regret.

"My point has been that there are other British artists besides the people who reflect the tastes of Saatchi, the Turner Prize, Goldsmiths College and all that lot. The RA should have curated its own show and gone out and found those artists. With Saarchi, they've lost their independence."

While many of his colleagues had focused their criticism on the Hindley portrait, he levelled his attack against the whole show. The Hindley could quite easily have been "juried out", he said, noting that that happened regularly with Summer Show exhibits.

David Gordon, secretary of the Academy, said of Professor Sandle's resignation: "Only he can explain his decision." In an Omnibus programme to be shown on BBC1 tomor-

row. Mr Rosenthal says: "It's a high risk exhibition for the Academy. A large number of people who regularly come to Academy exhibitions will be shocked. I think there will be people queuing round the block to come and see what all the fuss is about."

Simon Jenkins, page 22 Magazine page 44



# Estuary girls flock to join The Professionals

BY BILL FROST

FROM as far afield as Clacton and Catford, the young wannabes came in their hundreds yesterday for a role in the remake The Professionals, last a ratings success when their mothers could still wear short skirts.

Kitted out in the tightest leather jeans, skimpiest Lycra tops and heavy make-up, the girls from estuary Essex and southeast London appeared unaware of the sexism. kitsch excesses and absurdities of the late and largely unlamented television series. They had been lured to auditions at a theatre off Drury Lane by the prospect of playing Tina Backus, a feisty female foil to the new male leads in a series that goes into production next month.

Few, if any, of the girls rememhered Bodie and Doyle, played in the original series by Lewis Collins and Martin Shaw. "My mum said one was quite handsome and the other had a pigeon chest," said Samantha from Epping.

Unlike the painted legions who converged on Drury Lane yesterday. Bodie and Doyle have no interest in



Doyle, left, and Bodie, right, with Gordon Jackson, their controller in the original series

reviving the series. Collins will be playing pantomime in Canterbury when filming begins and Shaw the thoughtful one who now regards himself as a "serious actor" after starring in the BBC series Rhodes threatened legal action in an attempt to prevent the original series being rebroadcast.

Kerry Jay. 21. from Clacton, one among many hopefuls, could not understand their unwillingness to get back behind the wheel of a Ford Capri, burn rubber, shout at each other and then kill people. "I never saw it myself, but I understand it was very popular and bringing a girl into the cast in a leading role has got to be a good idea," she said.

Yesterday the girls muttered their lines in a queue which snaked three floors from the foyer to the auditori-

fordshire, said that, if chosen, she

would play Tina Backus as "a New

Age female with plenty of attitude".

Sam Macnichol, an aerobics instruc-

tor from Watford, was going to bring

"a sexy confidence to the part" if

chosen. "I know it was a bit of a joke

at the time - all that male bonding

attract a male audience. In the old series Bodie and Dovle drew the women, so this time around we want to appeal to the other half of the population as well." But have The Professionals survived the passage of time - spoofed by the Comic Strip team and um. Each fresh-faced arrival was parodied in a Nissan commercial? treated to a glare by her predecessor. Certainly they have, and imitation Erin Marsh from Bushey, Hertis the most sincere form of flattery.

Mr Wickes insisted. There is a perennial market for eople's champions and there is a whole new range of villains to take on. The world is a much more dangerous place than 20 years ago and people like to feel there is somebody out there dealing with it."

in Ford Capris — but the new series

gives a chance to women and that's

David Wickes, a veteran director

of the original series who put

together a £10 million deal in the

City to finance the remake, said that

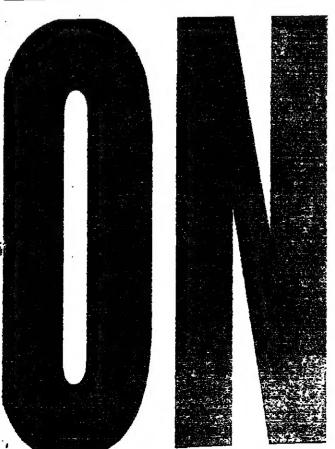
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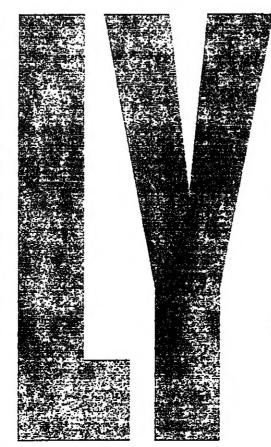
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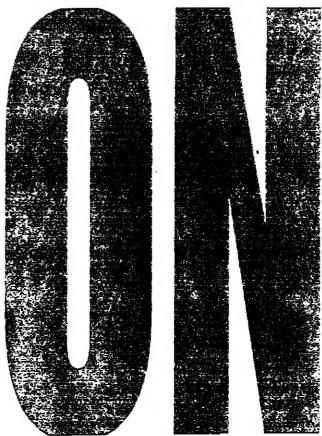
est is not a homage to political

correctness, far from it. The girl

chosen to play Tina is simply there to









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### **SMALL** FRY



When I wanted money or sweets, I stole them and I didn't care from whom. From my mother's handbag at home or from the desks and hanging clothes of my fellow pupils. I am trying hard, even now, to forgive myself

A thief's progress: part one of Stephen Fry's autobiography - in News Review tomorrow

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# Bernard's mourners get into spirit for was and inking partners gathered last orders in the leave term of the last orders in the leave term of the last orders in the leave term of the leave ter

FRIENDS, colleagues and drinking partners gathered for last orders in the low life of

Jeffrey Bernard yesterday.

The funeral of the Soho Bohemian and columnist had all the wicked humour of an evening in his beloved Coach and Horses pub and was packed with a familiar cast of florid-cheeked characters.

The service, at the West London Crematorium in Kensal Green, was at noon, by which time those with the most lived-in faces were attended by clouds of alcohol furnes. Other guests included Keith Waterhouse, who wrote the stage play Jeffrey Bernard is Unwell, Peter O'Toole, who starred in the play, Beryl Bainbridge and Ned Sherrin.

Alexander Chancellor, one of four editors at The Spectator for whom Bernard had written his Low Life column. said that his friend's death last week had been appropri-ate. "It was typical of his theatrical side that he chose to die at a time of unprecedented national mourning. This has been a source of a multitude of poor jokes that Jeffrey would have enjoyed a lot."

He said that Frank John-

the columnist's

life in suitable style at the pub.

reports **Damian** Whitworth

son, the current Editor of the the magazine, had declared: The paparazzi did it. They weren't giving him enough attention." In his tribute Mr Chancellor said that Bernard had sometimes been almost unbearably funny but also made his readers share his suffering, joy and anger with

officially tolerated moral rep-He recalled an article in which Bernard had written of his appalling behaviour when he was at school. "He deliberately dropped pencils in order to look up the teacher's skirt.

own death never far away.

"He gradually acquired the

and wrote to him," Mr Chancellor said. "But she wrote not in a state of shock but to inquire tenderly after him. Only Jeffrey could have received such a letter under those circumstances."

Mr OToole remembered an incident while he was playing Bernard on the stage and the rakish columnist came back to the dressing room. "He said to me, 'You and Keith have made me very happy.' Then he left, took the wrong turning and finished up on the stage. There was the real Jeffrey on stage in a fictional boozer."
In his address, the journalist Mike Molloy said: "By birth he should have been an

he marched to a different the constant spectre of his drum, in fact an entirely different orchestra. Many people said that he sought the status of the country's one company of famous people. In my experience it was the famous who sought Jeffrey's company - though not for his charm. Most of the time he was raging about bookies, about Chinese waiters, edi-tors, publicans and women

officer and a gentleman but



who failed to buy a round." Mr Molloy recalled being in a

bar at Ascot with Bernard

when a well-known trainer

came over and greeted him

warmly. Then he said, Where are your hats? Jeffrey



for? 'Suppose you meet the Queen. What will you raise?"

There's always the question of my knighthood." Bernard's ashes are expected to be taken to the Gallops training ground at Lambourn,

But first Norman Balon, the landlord of the Coach and Horses, immortalised by Bernard as "the rudest landlord in London", led a move back to the pub to celebrate the life of his best customer. Last night a barman raised

his voice above the din in the background to report that the wake was still going strong. "Everyone's in fairly good spirits. They're still at it and nobody's too mournful." This morning, no doubt, some will be unwell.



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# **Butler** who stole from millionaire given 312 years

A BUTLER who used his millionaire employers' money to enjoy a lavish lifestyle of it. You took a well-rewarded champagne, cocaine, hody-guards and prostitutes was jailed for 32 years yesterday. Southwark Crown Court was told that Percival Hole

adopted the role of a single, acopied the role of a single, lonely millionaire and impressed his new friends from the local pub with parties at his employers' £4 million Regency home. Servants provided meals that included wild boar and £1,500 bottles of Chitago Bitago Halangard. Chateau Petrus. He also sold his employers' £56,000 Bent-ley Turbo car after registering

it in his own name. The court was told that Hole, 49, was an able confidence trickster with a record of petty crime who had been drummed out of the Army's catering corps. He was sent by a domestic employment agency, with immaculate references, to Rodney Price, the Australian chairman of the Thistle hotels group, and his wife, Loeen, who gave him the

job of manservant.

Judge David Elfer, jailing
Hole for theft, said that when he took the job in the house off Belgrave Square in London, he hid the fact that he had seen the inside of a prison cell and been cashiered from the Army. "You undernably had a yen

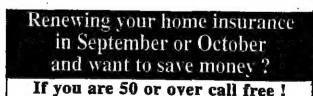
for what you considered to be the high life," the judge said,

position on a salary of £21,500 with accommodation, all ex-penses and food paid, and your employers, decent, honourable and trusting people, left you for many months at a time in charge of their house-hold in this country. But you wanted more. You wanted the trappings and the appearance of your employers' wealth and you abused their trust."

He said Hole stole the money and went across Europe with the intention of investing in an Estonian tim-ber company. "But still you did not resist the pampered life. It was first-class rail and hotels, a bodyguard at £200 a day, prostitutes, drugs and drink."

Mr and Mrs Price were trusting and asked no ques-tions when Hole said that in Britain all documents relating to a car had to be kept with it. Mrs Price handed over the papers for her Bentley, which Hole registered in his own name and sold for £56,000. Hole also stole £3,500 from the

safe in the house, The couple were unaware that their butler had swapped his downstairs position for upstairs luxury until they returned home to find him, the cash, two paintings and the



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# Pirit Osborne House calls off wedding plans

Couple disappointed after English Heritage says ceremonies in Queen Victoria's dining room would be inappropriate, reports Ruth Gledhill

ENGLISH Heritage has abandoned plans to allow Osborne House, the Italianate palace on the Isle of Wight where Queen Victoria and Prince Albert brought up their nine children, to be used for

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civil wedding ceremonies. The change of heart has left at least one couple disappoint-ed after a date was pencified in for their wedding. Dozens of others who had made inquiries alway being married there will also be saddened by the

Alex Moore, 35, and Sarah Hodder, 28, had fixed their wedding date for November 1 and told friends and family of their delight at being the first couple to marry at Osborne since Queen Victoria's third child, Princess Alice, wed Prince Louis of Hesse in the

royal during room in July 1862. The day before Miss blodder went to place her order for the invitations for 50 guests to attend their wedding in the dining nom, with drinks in the magnificent Durbar room, they were informed by telephone of the change of heart, made by senior officials at English Heritage who con-

sidered it "inappropriate".

They are believed to have been worried that it was bad taste to marry people in the room in which Queen Victoria's body lay in state in 1901. There were also security concerns about items of historic

Miss Hodder will now wed her fiancé, a sales representative, at Newport register office. She said: "It is a shame, because the wedding was going to be in the dining room, which is very big and airy. With its red velvet and paintings of the Royal Family, it was preferable to anywhere else on the Isle of Wight. The red velvet in particular would have given the wedding a nice. appropriate autumnal feel."

She added: "As register offices go, Newport is not bad. They have paintings on the

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or October



Alex Moore and Sarah Hodder will wed in Newport

curtains. It's quite nice. But at Cinquecento motifs and asymthe end of the day, it is getting metrically placed towers, is married that is the important given to Prince Albert himself. thing, not where you marry." although the master builder Her daughter, Megan, 4. he commissioned. Thomas will still be the bridesmaid Cubitt, who was responsible

a wedding at Osborne House.

This meant that they had been

sunshine in Thailand.

and plans for the reception, at for Belgravia in London, was the Reval Corinthian Yacht extremely influential. Like his descendant, the Club in Cowes, remain unchanged. In addition, the reg-Prince of Wales, Prince Albert ister office would cost £50. compared to a total of £600 for

It's party time

place this autumn. For instance there's the 'California

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in the Magic Kingdom.

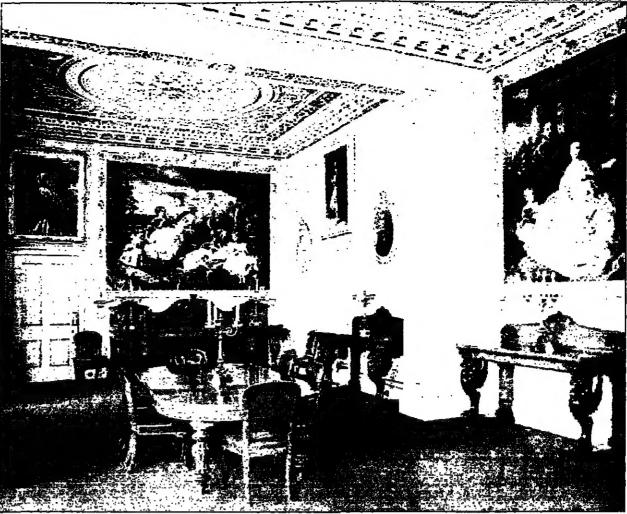
As part of Disneyland Paris' continuing 5th Birthday celebrations all

kinds of special events will be taking

was a keen farmer and agronomist, and the estate became a well-managed, profitable concern as well as a haven of peace and tranquilli-

ty for the Royal Family.
English Heritage took over
the palace in 1986 and has already restored the gardens, parks, walks and parts of the house itself, opening them to visitors from April to October. The plan to open Osborne House for civil weddings, made possible by the 1994 Marriage Act, was intended to maximise revenue in the

When it was announced in June that Oshorne House might become a venue for civil weddings, Lorraine Porter, the Isle of Wight's superintendant registrar, said: The opening up of Osborne will be a terrific boost to the Island. It is bound to become one of the country's top civil wedding venues and we are all very excited at the



The dining room was to have been the setting for the first wedding since that of Princess Alice in 1862



money in 1845.

Prince Albert had a major influence on the design





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# Buyers may try to cash in on auctioned dresses

Americans who bought the Princess's clothes have seen them rise tenfold in value, writes Tunku Varadarajan

A FORTNIGHT after the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, scores of people across America who bought dresses belonging to the Princess at the New York charity auction in June have realised that they are sitting on their own private goldmines.

Experts believe that the value of each dress has soared and that many owners will eventually be tempted to cash in. One huyer has already placed an advertisement in The Wall Street Journal, offering for sale "a Princess Di dress". Purchased for \$24,500. the seller is asking \$250,000.

The buyers of a dress encrusted with simulated pearls who intend to take the pearls off and recast them in earrings to be sold for charity. expect to raise \$10 million. The Princess's 79 dresses in total raised \$3.25 million at the Christie's auction.

A source at Christie's said: "I think these dresses have turned into the best investment in town. Where else can someone have spent, say, \$40,000 and expect a return on his investment three months later of about \$300,000? I think there would be buyers for every single one of those dresses - even the more ghastly ones — and they'd happily pay huge sums for them. We're likely to see sellers come out of the woodwork once a respectable mourning period has passed."

Asked if his auction house would participate in a resale of the Princess's dresses, he expressed horror. "Of course not. That would be in terrible

The pearl-encrusted dress, designed by Carherine Walk-



The "queen of hearts" earring to incorporate pearls from the dress



er, was bought for \$34,500 by Roxanne Duke, who runs International Gem and Jewellery Show Inc. a family-owned company based in Maryland. Yesterday Vicki Eaton, the company's director of administrative operations, said the sale of the earrings was "strict-ly for charitable purposes. with every cent going to the institutions which Princess

Diana worked so hard to help when she was alive". The owners are upset that their charitable enterprise has

been "misrepresented" in the tabloid press. The dress in question — lot 54 — was one of the more garish items. A longsleeved dinner gown of cream pleated silk, it was worn by the Princess at an official reception in London in 1982, and again on a state visit to Nepal

The company wrote to the Princess some weeks after buying the dress for her permission to remove the thousands of simulated pearls for earrings. Ms Easton said: "We had decided, even then, that the proceeds would go exclusively to charity, and we

told her so in the letter."

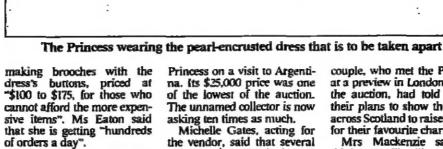
Ms Eaton added: "She wrote a nice letter back to us, within days, saying that the dress was ours and that she was delighted for us to do anything with it that we liked. Of course, she seemed pleased that we were giving the money

The company wrote also to Catherine Walker, who was happy with the plan, which involves taking the dress apart. Forms are now handed out at the company's shows, inviting buyers to apply for earrings, costing \$1,000 a pair.

The earrings will have the shape of a crown "since Princess Diana was the queen of hearts". Set in 14-carat gold, the design also incorporates a cross and hearts.

The Dukes are also selling men's lapel pins, each incorporating a single pearl, for \$800. The pins will also have a little red ribbon, "symbolising the Aids cause, to which the Princess gave so much of her precious time".

Ms Eaton also revealed that the company is considering



the vendor, said that several offers of \$150,000 had been Eyebrows were raised in New York this week with the turned down. She said: "I publication in The Wall Street don't believe at this time that Journal of an advertisement my client is interested in for the sale of one of the selling it for less than Princess's dresses. The dress, \$250,000." The proceeds will lot 35, is a cocktail dress of not go to charity but Ms Gates denies that her client is profitscarlet silk lace, also by Cathing from the Princess's death. erine Walker, and worn by the

couple who bought one of the auction dresses have cancelled plans to put it on

Briege and Graeme Mackenzie paid £39,098 for the black silk Christina Stramboulian cocktail dress worn by the Princess on the night her husband admitted adultery on television. Mrs Mackenzie, 44. said she had cancelled plans to display the dress on October 1 at a lunch in aid of the Children First charity. The couple, who met the Princess at a preview in London before the auction, had told her of their plans to show the dress across Scotland to raise money

for their favourite charity.

Mrs Mackenzie said: "I think we will still go ahead with our plans, but we will wait maybe until this time next year. I am thinking of talking to her office at Kensington Palace to ask them what they think."

The dress is at present wrapped in tissue paper and couple are thought to be the only private buyers from Britain although some dresse were bought by British

A private client buying a Catherine Walker dress in the early 1980s would have expected to pay in excess of £5,000, fashion industry sources said.

The price would include numerous fittings. The dress-maker does not disclose prices for haute couture dresses for private clients.

### Verdi's Requiem played in honour at **Proms**

By DANIEL McGrory

THE Proms are honouring one of their most ardent fans, Diana, Princess of Wales.

More than 5,000 Promenaders last night saluted the Princess with extracts from Verdi's Requiem, her favourite classical piece, which was played at her funeral Organisers decided there should be no speeches, preferring a reference in the programme to the deaths of the Princess and Sir Georg Solti, the perform the Requiem last night. His place was taken by Sir Colin Davis.

In his speech at the last night of the Proms today. the conductor Andrew Davis is expected to honour Diana. "Tradition dictates that his speech is secret but you can be assured that the events of the past week will figure large," a spokesman said.

The final programme has been hastily amended to include Japiter from The Planets suite by Holst. The spokesman said: "Everyone vill know it as the true for the hymn I Vow to Thee My Country, which was one of ents of the funeral.

The Princess was a great fan of the Proms, and we of her. The last time that Verdi's Requiem was played five years ago she was there and she told us how she cried. It was her favourite classical piece. The Proms are always a very emotional affair and hamedly there will be many tears shed."

The music industry has taken a lead in suggesting ways to raise money for the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund, name with many thousands expected to buy Elton John's record of Candle in the Wind when it goes on sale today.

There are promises of pop concerts to come. Richard Branson is already preparing an event to coincide with the first anniversary of her death next nmer. Efforts are being surviving members of the

Beatles to come together for the day in concerts to be held simultaneously in London, New York and Gary Barlow, lead singer of Take That, said yesterday that the group would reform for a Christmas con-

cert at Wembley for the fund. He told BBC I's Newsround that Take That

would play three songs.

IN BRIEF

### **Tourists** who took tributes are freed

Two Slovak women jailed by a magistrate for 28 days on Thursday for taking toys and flowers laid in memory of Diana. Princess of Wales in London were released on appeal yesterday and were each ordered to pay a £200 fine.

Judge Geoffrey Rivlin, QC. told Maria Rigociova, 56, and Agnesa Sihelska, 50, that a night in Holloway prison must have given them "a terrible shock". He was releasing them, he said, in keeping with the compassion which characterised the nation in the aftermath of the Princess's death.

At Southwark Crown Court. Andrew Greenwood, for the defence, said it had been far from their intention to upset the British people. Rigociova, the guide with a coach party of Slovaks, said that she had thought the flowers and toys were to be destroyed,

### Song in demand

Record shops have placed orders for 1.5 million copies of Elton John's Candle in The Wind '97, the tribute song he sang at the Princess's funeral. It also emerged that retailers are to meet the request of his record company to donate most of their profits from its sale to the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund. Manufacturers have been able to press only 250,000 copies so far, so some customers are likely to be disappointed today when the single goes on sale, priced at £3.99.

### Prince's visit

The Prince of Wales is to carry out his first public engage-ments next week since the death of his former wife. He will visit the Manchester area and, although a list of engagements has not yet been com-pleted, it is understood that his itinerary will include opportunities to meet the public. A large police operation is ex-pected, to cope with large numbers of people wanting to greet the Prince, who was last seen in public a week ago, on the day of the Princess's

### E-mail address

Gordon Brown announced the gestions can be sent for a national memorial to the Princess. It is: memorial@hmtreasury.gov.uk The Chancellor, who is heading a committee looking into the project, has asked the public to write to him at the Treasury with their ideas, but the email address will provide a second route. Officials said the suggestions would get an instant electronic acknowledgement and would all be considered by the committee.



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### Survivor could have amnesia

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN PARIS

THE bodyguard who survived the car crash in which the Princess died could be suffering from partial amnesia as a result of his injuries and may never be able to recall the crucial moments leading up to the accident.

Trevor Rees-Jones, 29, is able to communicate only by blinking, Le Figaro reported yesterday, and doctors have warned investigators that a combination of trauma and anaesthetic while under surgery may have impaired his memory. Although Mr Rees-Jones is recovering gradually from serious face, head and chest injuries, his parents have said that he will he unable to speak to investiga-

tors "for some time". A spokesman at La Pitié Salpétrière hospital could not confirm claims that Mr Reesjones has yet to be informed of the death of the Princess.

Mr Rees-Jones remains the key witness and questions over possible memory loss have added uncertainty to a case rife with rumour, claims, counter-claims and denials



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# The royal route to people's promenade



Small pavilions containing cafés could be placed under the trees along the wide carriageway on the north flank of the Mall, which at present is used only for car parking. Illustration by Sian Frances

ONE of Britain's leading ar-chitects has drawn up radical proposals to strip away the walls around London's royal landmarks and turn them into

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"people's palaces". Inspired by the huge crowds that thronged The Mall and royal parks after the death of Diana. Princess of Wales, Terry Farrell, the designer of M16's headquarters at Vaux-hall Bridge, will next week present to Mark Fisher, the Arts Minister, plans that in-clude demolishing the high walls around Buckingham

Mr Farrell believes the walls, topped by spikes and barbed wire, should be replaced by handsome ornamental railings, giving the public a view into the palace's spacious gardens. He would do the same with the wall along The Mall that shuts out the view of the gardens of St James's Palace.

"The royal palaces appear as huge buildings shut away behind walls," Mr Farrell said. "Inside, the large gardens are little used and totally unseen by the public."

A government committee, chaired by Gordon Brown, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, is considering closing The Mall to traffic as a permanent

Marcus Binney on an architect's plan to tear down the palace walls



Terry Farrell: wants public view of palace gardens

from Green Park. A direct

street-level link must be creat-

ed from Buckingham Palace

up Constitution Hill, past the

Apsley Arch and through the

beautiful entrance screen into

Hyde Park. "This route is

always used by the Royal Family; now the public should

follow. Traffic lights have

already had to be introduced

to control traffic, so it would be

an easy matter to introduce an

Mr Farrell, who was a member of the Royal Parks

Review Committee, said such

improvements could be car-

of the £80 million tunnel

extra phase for pedestrians."

dens. The vast public tribute to the Princess showed that The Mall could serve as more than a convenient short cut across Central London for taxis and cars. Suddenly not just the pavements but the gravel rides under the trees became public promenades, as full of people as the Tuileries in Paris or the

Paseo del Prado in Madrid.

Mr Farrell said: The funeral brought home the incredible beauty of The Mall and the royal parks. The urgent need is to improve the links between the parks.

further and include a public at Hyde Park Corner which

Sir Terence Conran, the

Although Changing the tourist attraction, anyone Palace has shown the way kiosk by Sir Michael Hopkins opposite the Victoria memorial," Sir Terence said. "Tables and chairs could be set out around the kiosks and re-

Further possibilities will open up if the Institute of it occupies, fronts The Mail and could be transformed into

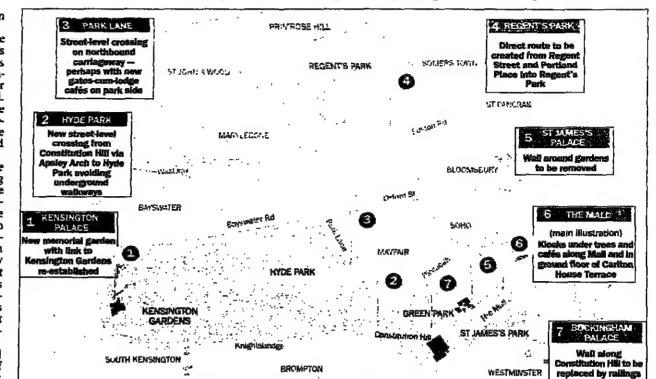
ried out at a fraction of the cost along The Mall would appeal not only to tourists but to proposed by the Royal Parks people working on both sides

Agency to put all the traffic on Park Lane under ground.

creator of some of London's leading restaurants, believes small pavilions containing cafes could be introduced under the trees along The Mall. These pavilions could be placed in the wide carriage-way, on the north flank of The Mall, which at present is used only for car parking.

Guard is London's leading wanting to sit down after-wards for a cake or a coffee has to make a long trek to Victoria, St James's or Trafalgar Square, "Buckingham with the elegant tented ticket moved in winter."

Contemporary Arts proceeds with a planned move from The Mall to new premises at Blackfriars Bridge. The basement of the eastern half of Carlton House Terrace, which cafés and restaurants.



In the 1960s officials at the Crown Commissioners argued that the length of Carlton House Terrace on The Mall should be transformed into Champs-Elysées. Traditionalists overruled them and the

Terrace along The Mall was scooped out to form a vast underground car park. The Duke of York steps, like the Spanish Steps in Rome, could be a suitable venue for flower

removing the walls around Buckingham Palace would not mean infringing on the Royal Family's privacy. "There are numerous shrubs and trees around the perimeter of the gardens, so removing the walls would not expose the Royal Family to view every time they walked into the

"Railings backed up by security cameras could be just as

years to come it should be possible to open up a direct route through the palace gardens from Victoria station. "People can walk into the gardens of the Imperial Palace

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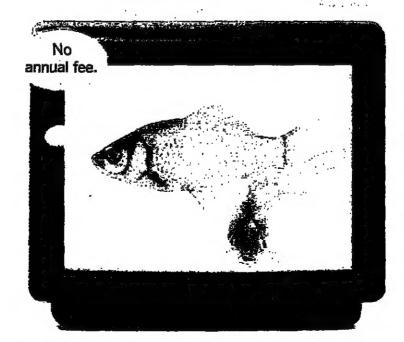
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# Love and loathing in the Lake District







Hotel staff Kay Wilson and David Humphreys. "Young people thrown together will have sex" he says, but tourist chiefs fear the new programme will damage the reputation of areas like Ullswater

Beauty spot fears for its tranquil image, writes **Russell Jenkins** 

HOTELIERS fear that the genteel and romantic image of the Lake District will be shattered by an abrasive new television series starting tomorrow which claims to lay bare the "dark soul and sexual quicksand" of a small Lake-

The Lake District attracts 15 million tourists each year to its manicured villages, placid waters, wild scenery and the

peace and tranquillity cher-ished by walkers from Wil-

liam Wordsworth onwards. Now the tourist industry is bracing itself for a squall blown up by The Lakes, a fourpart BBCI serial written by Jimmy McGovern, the un-

Cracker and the docudrama Hillsborough. McGovern has now turned his attention to the adventures of a Liverpool "scally" — Merseyside slang for a Jack-the-Lad — in a small Lakeland community. The programmes reflect the writ-

Offers worth

studying

side of life, with graphic sex scenes, brawling, drunkenness and tensions between 'offcomers" and locals. Cumbrian Tourist

Board has issued a press release, headed The Lakes v. the Lake District, claiming the

reflection to real life". Boarding house proprietors have grown nervous at trailers wich claim there are only two things to do in a little village in the Lake District - "one is drink, the other, sex". But at the Prince of Wales Hotel in Grasmere, the 40-odd live-in

fictional world as authentic overspiced Anne Cassidy, the assistant manager said: They work very hard, long hours and it is a very intense life. They work

staff recognise McGovern's

factors are there." Martin Fletcher, the proprietor of the two-star Nanny Brow country house hotel on Windermere, is horrified. He believes that The Lakes will sully the area's reputation.

together, they eat together and

they sleep together. All the

I have seen the trailers on television and they have confirmed my worst fears," Mr Fletcher said. "They have totally misrepresented the modern employment practices and the kind of people working in the Lakes. It is a dreadful slander on the Lakes. Our head chef is a Liverpudlian and when he saw the trailer on television he basically went potty. 'I know I'm a Scouser.' he said. But hell's teeth, I am not like that'."

The series is produced by Charles Pattinson, a product of Windermere who won universal acclaim for his Baftaaward winning series Our Friends in the North. He said: "It is McGovern at his very best - hard-edged, witty, fastpaced, moving and life-affirm-ing, dealing with his familiar obsessions — sex, gambling and death, Catholicism and guilt. The Lakes is a classic

rites-of-passage story -- a Britpop serial for the 1990s. Scored by a Britpop soundtrack. The Lakes tells the story of Danny Kavanagh, a Liverpudlian scally, thief and inveterate gambler, who escapes the dole queues of Merseyside for life as a skivvy in a Lake District hotel.

Danny, played by John Simm, meets, chats up, makes pregnant and is forced to marry a local girl. All this takes place against a backdrop of frantic cruplings between girls they have picked up. a headmaster's wife and the hotel chef and a smouldering liaison between a Roman Catholic priest and a member of his congregation.

The work is partly autobio-graphical. Aged 18, McGovern left Liverpool in the late 1960s to work as a hotel skivvy. porter and waiter in the Prince of Wales Hotel, now part of the Thistle chain. He was a failure at hotel work but remembered the sudden violence and the seething resentment between hotel workers and outsiders. Like Danny, he married a girl from the

David Humphreys, 20



NEWS IN BRIEF

### 'Bogus' GP accused of assaulting patients

A man accused of masquerading as a GP for 19 years was sent for Crown Court trial, accused of 37 charges. Godwin Onubogu, head of Iketam Clinical Laboratories in Balham, South London, is alleged to have indecently assaulted seven patients and to have maliciously wounded five others. He is also accused of perverting the course of justice by posing as a medical expert witness in drink-drive cases. Horseferry Road magistrates in London sent Mr Onubogu, 56. for trial at Southwark Crown Court.

### Driver jailed

A coach driver was jailed for 40 days after he admitted driving with excess alcohol when he had 61 exchange students on board. Portsmouth magistrates were told Kenneth Stewart, 47, who lives in Paris, had been drinking on a cross-Channel ferry.

### Motorway relief

from Cardiff, is a senior commis chef a the Prince of

Wales. He says he does not

recognise the brawling in The

Lakes. There are no fights, he

said, but young people thrown together anywhere will have

sex. "It is going to happen wherever you go." When staff at the hotel complete their

night shift, it is too late to go to

the public house. Many

choose to go nearby clubs such

as the Wheel House and Starlights, in Bowness-on-Windernere, described de-

spairingly by one hotelier as "the Blackpool of the Lakes".

Domingo Perdomo, the ho-

tel's general manager, said:

"Most of our staff are young,

healthy, lively. Most impor-

tant, they are away from home. The image of the Lakes

is one of an over-fifties' para-

dise. It is seen as an older

person's holiday destination. I

think the Lakes will remain as

William Hutchinson, the

proprietor of the Uliswater

Hotel, where the series was

filmed, is relaxed about his

establishment's new notoriety.

He knows some villagers from

nearby Patterdale are not

happy and the local parish

council is upset at the amount

of gratuitous sex.

He cheerfully points out

where the fictional chef and

headmaster's wife took sex on

television to new heights. "I

saw some rushes," he said.

You had to shoo the bairns

it? It isn't as bad as they make

out - the staff carrying on.

There are no drugs here."

But it is the real world, isn't

Lakeland Lovers and full

television listings in the

new Vision guide

Congestion will be eased on the M25 next week when a £94 million widening project is completed. A L2-mile section between Reigate and Cobham in Surrey, which carries up to 100,000 vehicles a day, has been enlarged to four lanes in each direction.

### Sergeant hanged

A detective sergeant was found hanged in the attic of his home at Conisbrough, south Yorkshire, by his 21year-old son. Ray Tensley, 47, of South Yorkshire Police. was due to retire at Christmas. He was said by colleagues to have been severely depressed.

### Surveyor jailed

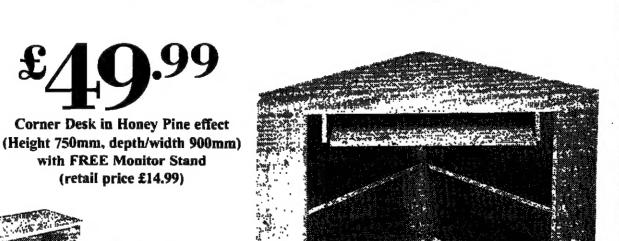
A senior civilian member of the Metropolitan Police was jailed for 18 months by Southwark Crown Court for swindling more than £31,000 in overtime claims. Derek Peterson, a surveyor, of Upminster. East London, admitted six

### Real flames

A virtual reality driving simulator, hailed as the way to learn to drive, went up in flames yesterday. The expensive, computerised machine was destroyed when a shortcircuit set the simulator on fire at the British School of Motoring office in Leeds.

### Scanners scam

Police put out hoax messages about aliens over the South Downs to trap people illegally tuning in to police radio frequencies. When carloads of people turned up to see the extra-terrestrials, officers confiscated scanning equipment. and warned against its use.





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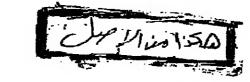
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# Seafaring families find calmer life amid the storms

Libby Purves reports on the parents who believe a life afloat is the best education

YOU only hear about round-theworld sailing families when they run out of luck. Thus the Newman family rose to brief fame last month for being helicoptered out of a Biscay storm and the Schinas family of Chichester - rescued from a South Atlantic storm last January - drew gasps this week

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Bogus, Ch

accused of

assaulting patients

But you would never have heard about either family if things had gone well; not unless you read yachting magazines and club newsletters. The fact is that a scattering of families have been taking to the ocean for years without remark. You meet them in yacht havens of the Canaries and the Caribbean, tattered red ensigns at the stern. pegging out napples, supervising correspondence courses and sending self-assured children up the dusty quay to buy yams in the market. There may be a newish haby, gnawing at a rusk fied to its shoulder-strap with a seamanlike bit of tarred twine.

There are no official statistics or welfare surveys on sailing nomad families; statistics and the State are two of the things they are escaping. Flight from society is a constant theme, although not all are as exaggeratedly hostile to shore life as Torn Schinas, who told this paper "a two-week-old baby is safer at sea than on dry land ... My children have never seen a classroom and have no idea what bullying and violence means. They have never watched television, used a computer or eaten a Big

Even those who plan to come back for secondary school show a

tougher generations. Like the Brasseys, who in 1870 girdled the world on their schooner Sunbeam, with a paid crew, four children and two dogs. The baby nearly died of croup during a wild passage from Honolulu to Yokohama.

In 1928 an engaging Norwegian. when they set sail complete with a two-week-old baby.

Erling Tambs, set out round the world with his wife, Julie, and a world with his wife, Julie, and a dog called Spare Provisions. By the time his yacht, Teddy, hit a Pacific reef they had a two-year-old son and a baby. During the wreck he sat the toddler on a rock, handed him the baby and instructed him to hold it tight while he rescued his wife. Little Tony, writes the fond father. Took his duties like a man and never budged, even when the breakers washed over them". In the early 1950s. Miles and

> Clio, on their epic voyages: they were all seasick. She told Smeeton's biographer, "My father and I would trim the sails, steer and vomit amidst cries of Rememher Nelson!" My mother made tomato soup." She did three hours of lessons a day. Certainly voyage ing children seem to show an almost worrying confidence in their parents: "Mike told them the boat was safe," says Liz Saunders, who returned from Zimbabwe in 1972 with four under-tens, "so they believed it." In 1972 Dougal Robertson and his family were sunk by whales off the Galapagos and survived 38 days in a liferaft. Even after that, on the way home one of their ten-year-old twins grumbled,

Such steely nerves are not uni-

, back on the raft!"

"I'm bored Dad, I wish we were



## New technology offers world to modern mariner

MORE families are sailing around the world thanks to increased leisure time and mod-

Boat sales are expected to rise sharply this year, with the British marine industry showing a record £2.28 billion turnover in 1996. James Jermain, editor of Yachting Monthly, said that new rechnology was the key factor.
"Modern yachts have electronic
aids, such as satellite navigation,
and weather faxes, that can alleviate the fear of getting lost and running into bad weather."

their children to sea can be immensely rewarding. Doina Cornell, 30, who left Britain in a boat when she was seven and sailed the world with her parents and brother for seven years, said it provided her with an unusual perspective. "When you're growng up, every child gets a place they're attached to. Because I grew up on a boat, I got attached

Matthew Sims, 45, felt stuck in a rut running his coach company so took a year off to sail around the Caribbean and the Canaries.



He and his wife, Elizabeth, and their four sons aged 5 to 13 crossed the Atlantic to St Lucia, then sailed on to Trinidad and the United States, where they left their boat, arriving back in Britain last month. It slowed me down a bit, and I have great memories of the time I spent with my children," Mr Sims said. "Educationally it's the best thing for them. My second eldest passed his 11-plus with almost 100 per cent. That was partly getting more confident, and partly that they had no telly and read a lot."



The Sims family, who spent a year afloat crewing themselves, on Cooper Island, one of the Virgin Islands, in April, and back at the Medway marina

with children aged three and five, we prudently chose a circumnavigation of mainland Britain, which enabled us to cover 1,700 miles without getting too far from the NHS. Even so, boatless friends said we were mad. Sometimes we nearly did go mad; family life in a cabin 10ft by 7ft is intense. You cannot walk away from a tantrum, send it to its bedroom, or hand it over to a granny or nanny. You

compensate a child for exchanging nursery cosiness for a wasteland of father contriving a paintbrush out grey waves. It takes love, ingenuity of his own hair. "With hindsight I grey waves. It takes love, ingenuity and tolerance. It is hard work.

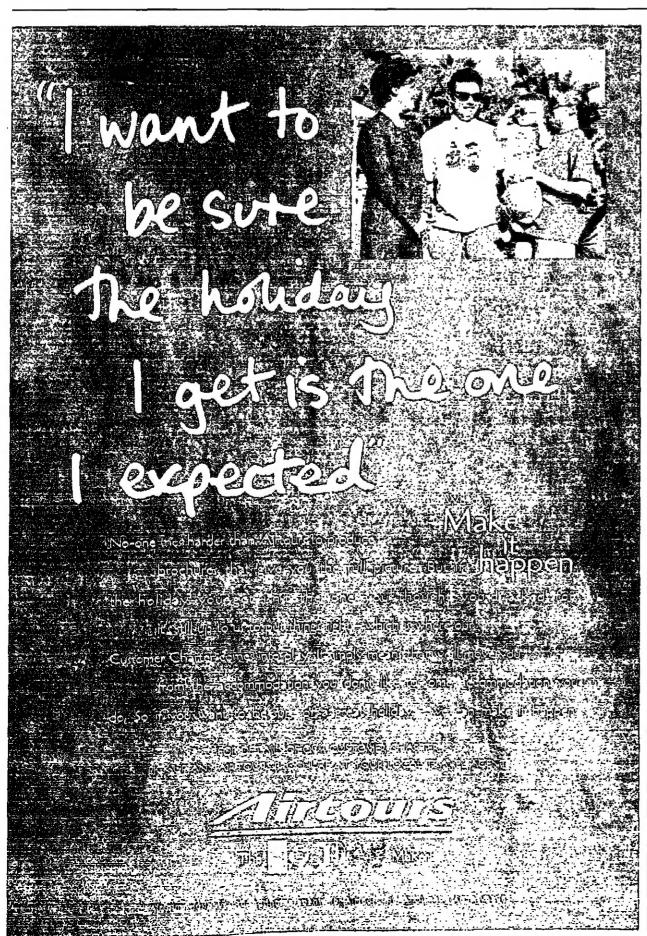
But the good moments shine the dolphins, the rainbows, the intrepidity of a three-year-old climbing 20st of slimy, rusty har-bour ladder, the crazy accumulation of family jokes. Children can watch adults solving problems rather than railing irritably at parenting, at odds with our ner- attempt at a three-month voyage morally and practically bound to Saunders says that the details they school league tables, there is some-

remember now are things like their sometimes shudder, but I don't regret any of it." Another woman, off again next month, says: "At least you sink or swim together; you're totally committed as a family and a crew."

In an age of parental nervousness, semi-detached commuter fathers, discontented mothers and thing beguiling in the idea of steering your own family course. place of bundled books, bins of There are inevitable tragedies, but get through Biscay and the first gale and, with luck, a child might write one day, as Clio Smeeton did: "It wasn't boring, it was bliss, all the things that I loved most in the world were there - my dog, our cat, my parents and the boat . . . the forepeak which always smelt cold, of chains and seaweed, where in

flour and sugar, and stores to last a year at sea. The bunk was too broad for me when I was little, so to stop myself from rolling about I wedged myself with Blue Bear.'

They finally sent her back to boarding school and, when she heard the news of her parents' dismasting off Cape Horn, she crossly wrote: "I've missed all the





# Children 'can lie as soon as they talk'

REPORTS BY NIGEL HAWKES AND NICK NUTTALL

CHILDREN start telling fibs early, researchers have found. They can lie deliberately as soon as they can talk, before they grasp the idea of truth and reality.

The lies reported by parents take many forms and are told for many reasons. They include hiding things and then denying knowledge of their whereabouts, and pretending not to know where commonplace objects, such as their pyjamas, are kept.

The results of studies carried out by Dr Vasudevi Reddy, of Portsmouth University, and Dr Paul Newton have disproved the idea that children need to pass a test of understanding before they can

Between the ages of three and four, children learn that it is possible for the mind to harbour false beliefs. Before that, they tend to believe that the mind automatically knows the truth. Tests can show exactly when they pass from that naive belief to the realisation that minds are not simply

a mirror image of reality. The theory has been that, before this transition, they are not capable of lies, but Dr Reddy reported a study of 24 children which shows that lying predates the transition and does not alter in form or content as the children pass

ren are lying, perhaps ineptly, as soon as they learn to communicate," Dr Reddy told the annual meeting in Leeds of the British Association. "By the age of two and a half to three, they are telling quite

Dr Reddy relied on parents to report instances of lying because it was extremely difficult to test children's ability to lie in laboratory conditions. Children in natural settings may do things because the setting provides a motivation and a 'sense' which is simply unavailable in the more abstracted environs of the laboratory," she said. Children's ability to recognise that beliefs can be

through the transition. "Child-false was tested by putting them in a room and letting them watch an adult hide an object. The adult then left and another adult came in and moved the object. When the first adult returned, he asked the child where the object was, and the answer revealed whether the child recognised that it could be somewhere other than where the adult

believed it to be. Children typically learn to pass such tests between three and four, and earlier experiments have suggested that, before that, they cannot lie. But in the home, very different results were found. Lying was unaffected by the child's ability to recognise false beliefs.

### PROFESSOR URGES BSE INQUIRY

The new president of the British Association yesterday called for a judicial inquiry into the disaster of BSE. Professor Colin Blakemore of Oxford University, an expert on the brain, said an inquiry was necessary not only to apportion blame and learn how to avoid similar disasters, but to consider how compensation should be paid to relatives of those.

killed by the human equivalent of BSE. Profes-sor Blakemore, who gave up eating beef in 1987 when BSE was first identified, said that there was now strong evidence for a link between BSE and the new variant of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease which has so far killed 21. He criticised the Ministry of Agriculture for failing to make more data on BSE available.

"We found that young children who did not pass the tests also told lies, that these lies were of a large variety of forms and motivations." Dr Reddy said.

If a pre-nursery toddler tells a fib with a straight face, a lefthanded person might not detect the lie, while a righthander would, another researcher has found.

Dr Richard Wiseman, of the University of Hertfordshire, devised an experiment in which almost 5,000 people rang in after watching two clips of a Yorkshire Television presenter. Carolyn Hodgson, YTV's Tonight programme. In one clip she

responded to a question with the truth, in the other with lies. Most people spotted when she was lying, but right-handers turned out to be better at it, exactly what Dr Wiseman expected. Among left-handers. 66 per cent cor-rectly identified the lie, while 72.5 per cent of right-handers did so - a "highly significant"

He guessed that righthanders would be better because they use the left-hand side of their brain to process language, while in lefthanders the process is distributed across the brain. That should give the right-handers

difference. Dr Wiseman said.



Air on a bee-sting: waggling tails and beating wings help to point the way to plentiful sources of nectar

# Bees draw route map in the air

DANCING bees generate air flows that tell other bees where to find nectar. scientists have found. The discovery explains how bees that return from a foraging expedition communicate the location of nectar, even in the darkness of a hive.

Danish researchers have tested the system using a robot bee, consisting of a brass body and a wing made from a razor blade, powered by four tiny motors. Professor Axel Michelson said they had got up to 30 bees at a time to fly about 500 metres from the hive. "It is not as effective as a live dancer, but it demonstrates the communication system," Professor Michelson, of Odense University, said.

There have been many theories about how honey bees tell others where to find a good source of nectar. It was thought that bees learnt the direction and distance by watching a returning insect's elaborate dance, or that bees touched the dancer to gather the co-

Professor Michelson said his team had proved that the waggling of the tail and beat of the wings during the dance set up three-dimensional flows of air which carried the information about where to fly. The air flow caused the antennae of nearby bees to waggle and these patterns were picked up by a sense organ at the base of the antenna, from where they went to the brain.

Professor Michelson said the airwave communication system operated over a very small distance: "One bee-length away there is almost nothing. If you live together with 50,000 insects in a small box it is better to have a private conversation with your neighbours rather than tell everyone."

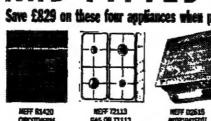
Elephants, in contrast, are able to communicate with others two or more miles away using infrasonic sounds, very low frequency waves similar to those used by the US Navy to communicate with nuclear submarines under the Arctic ice-cap.

William Langbauer, of Pittsburgh Zoo, told the meeting that the vibrations were made in the nasal passages using a membrane across the entrance to the skull. "With this the cow elephant can attract males from miles away during her amazingly short periods of sexual receptivity of only four days once every four years," Dr Langbauer said.

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# Cities that curb cars make healthy profits

BRITISH cities would be more prosperous and enjoy a better quality of life if tougher environmental standards. mirroring the best overseas, were brought in. it was claimed yesterday.

Professor John Whitelegg of John Moores University, Liverpool, said that there was overwhelming evidence from countries such as Germany and Japan that good environmental policies boosted economic performance while improving the quality of life.

"A study of 32 cities in Germany has shown that the highest levels of retail turnover are to be found in those cities with maximum traffic restraint," he said.

In Britain traffic-calming often consisted of the occasional hump or small pedestrianised area. But in Germany, city authorities have created huge car-free centres and banned or dramatically reduced parking. "Cities with the largest access for the car have the lowest retail turn-



Pedestrians reclaim the centre of Freiburg

over, the German study shows," Professor Whitelegg

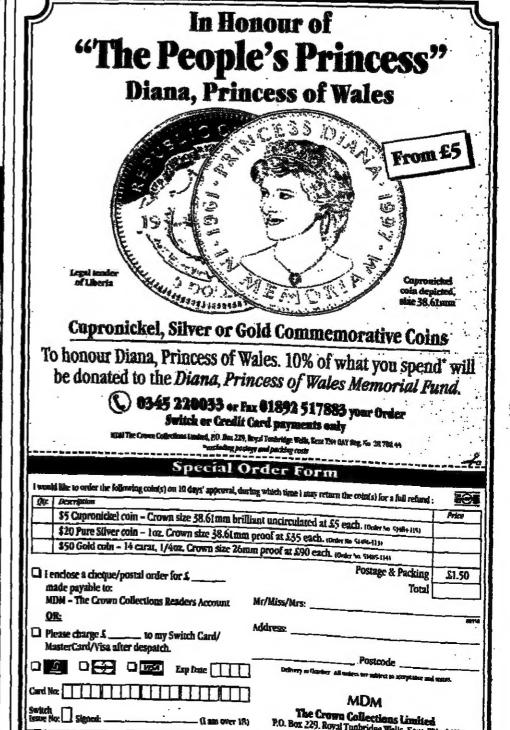
The study merely looked at the benefits to shops, but the banning of cars also cut air pollution and accidents thus triggering greater economic gains. Hospital bills, for example, were reduced.

Professor Whitelegg cited other studies in Germany where 700,000 jobs have been as a result of high environmental standards in areas such as recycling, water and air quality control and noise

A study by the Institute of Prospective Technology Studies in Seville, Spain, shows that, overall, 800,000 jobs would be created across the European Union if timber and recycled materials rather than concrete and aggregates were used in construction.

Professor Whitelegg said: The Danes have also looked at this. They have calculated they can create 10,000 jobs and employ 27,000 people in the construction industry through a range of environ-

mental initiatives." The policies, designed to reduce pollution, boost the economy and help disadvantaged groups such as the elderly, include combined heat and power projects, energy conservation schemes for buildings, cycleways and urban forestry projects.



Cinema greats in the frame

Kathryn Knight on the sale of

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posters tracing cinema history from Valentino to Harrison Ford

journey through the history of cinema goes on sale this week in the form of the biggest collection of film. posters amassed by one person. The posters (dating from the 1920s to the 1980s, trace cinematic tastes and disclose the marketing strategies of the big studios.

Many are rare, including a giant six-sheet poster for the 1942 release of Casablanca. All 300 were collected over 25 years by an American man who wishes to remain anonymous, but requested that the sale be held in London. The Casablanca poster, be-

heved to be one of only three in existence, is expected to letch the highest price with an estimate of £22,000 to £32,000. The 81 inch-square poster was designed for particularly big cinema foyers.

The oldest poster in the collection is for the 1921 film The Conquering Power, star-ring Rudolph Valentino. The latest include the contempo-rary heart-throb Harrison Ford in Star Wars and Raiders of the Lost Ark.

Posters featuring stars such as Humphrey Bogart, Bette Davis and Rita Hayworth are expected to be popular with fans. Others will attract interest because of the illustrators, including Saul Bass and Nor-

man Rockwell. Miles Barton, a film specialist who catalogued the posters for auction, said: "While great care and attention was lavished on the artwork for these posters, they were meant to be very disposable. The publicity machine was a fast-moving one: they were posted

out, pasted up and then torn down

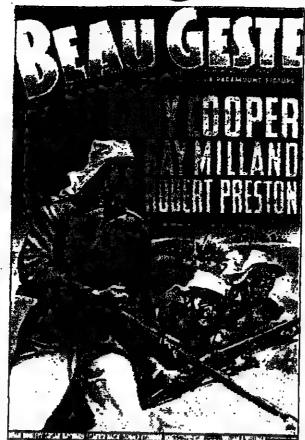
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set. Some of the these posters are special because of the fact that they survived at all."

Much of the artwork looks lavish compared with the photomontages outside today's cinemas. "We are so anaesthetised to the concept of clever marketing that it is easy to forget what a huge industry it was back then too," Mr Barton said. "These posters show how the British public were treated to a mass deluge of carefully targeted publicity with the release of each film. Often,









Under the hammer: stars from home and abroad feature in the 300 posters to be auctioned, which make up the largest poster collection amassed by one person. The earliest poster is for a film from 1921

film-makers produced different styles of posters for the same film. One style would be designed to appeal to one section of the public, while another would be drawn up to target another section. So, for example, you would get a romantic version for a small village and an action shot for a larger town."

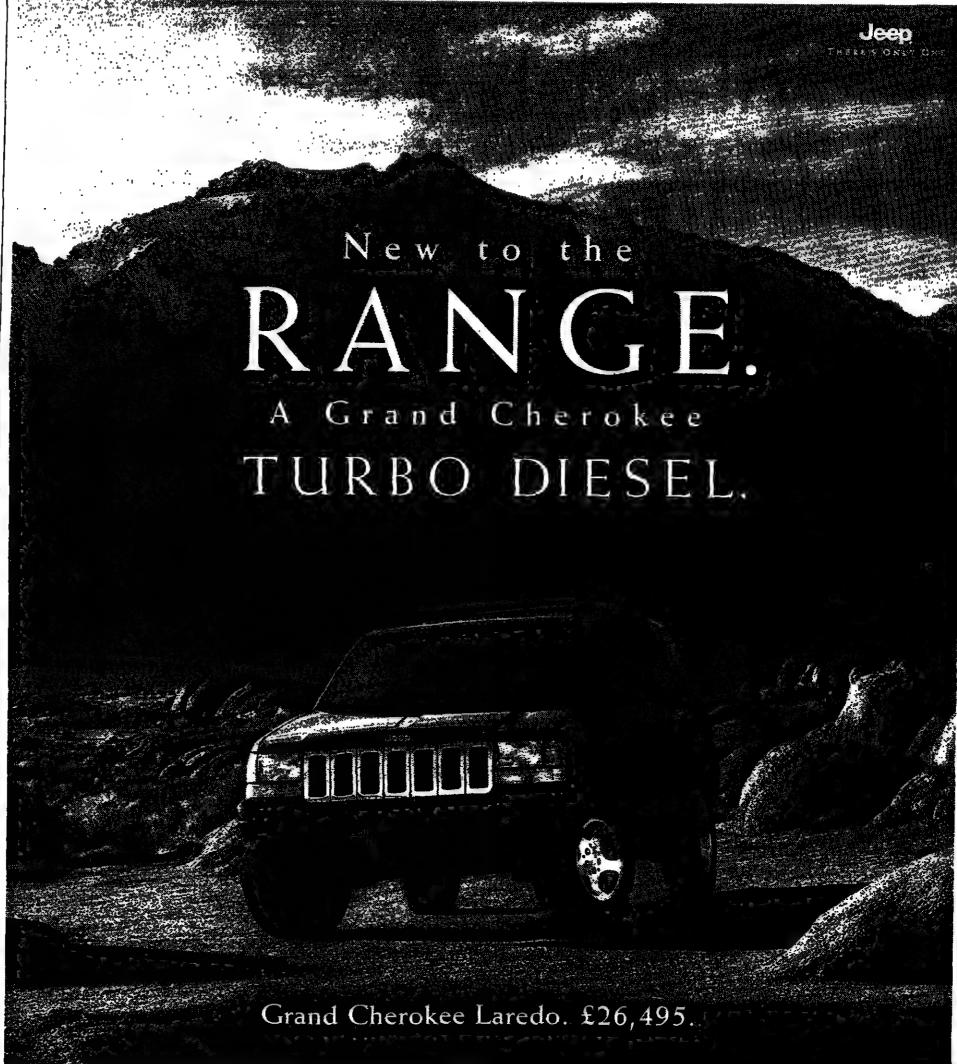
A 1934 poster for The Thin Man has the letter D underneath the artwork, suggesting it is the fourth version. The only other known copy of the

poster is in the Library of Congress in the United States. "Some of the posters are known as 'ad-vanced special version' and were designed as preview posters to be pinned up a month or so before the film release. They would be replaced by new artwork once the film was on show." Mementoes of animated

films are popular with collectors, and the auction will include a small poster for Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, the first full-length cartoon.

Also for sale are lobby cards, which were pinned in Breakfast at Tiffany's, signed by Audrey Hepburn, estimated at £200 each.

the New Bond Street Gallery in London tomorrow. The auction will be at Sotheby's on





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# Tattoos and tummies on parade as Miss America tries to get real

Contestants have been urged to be themselves, as long as

they don't want to smoke or drink, reports Tom Rhodes

has kept Miss America a popular favourite among the country's older generation for 76 years is to get a facelift tonight when entrants will for the first time wear bikinis and sport navel rings and tattoos.

Organisers of the competition, in the gamblers' paradise of Atlantic City, have even allowed the contestants to play the gaming tables with Miss America commemorative chips. But the 51 women are still banned from smoking

The pageant officials have been eager to advertise the break with tradition that will allow contestants to bear their stomach, wear modest sandals instead of spiked heels and,

All the women must do their own make-up and wear swimsuits bought from shops rather than creating their own eyepenalise entrants they detect as being "untruthful" to themselves.

The new rules have brought some much-needed publicity to an event that has been living in the past for decades. There has been talk of a new permissiveness and hip indi-vidualism, a hint of which became apparent while the contestants were going through rehearsals wearing T-

shirts, jeans and pumps.

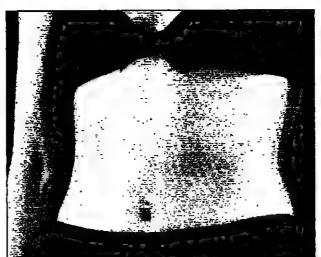
Much has been made of the fact that Jill Renee Cummings, an aspiring recording industry executive and amateur boxer, has a silver belly-button ring to show off with her two-

piece bathing suit.
"Why am I wearing it? Just because that's me," she said. "I got my bellybutton ring long before I thought about getting into the Miss America pageant, and I'm not going to take

THE wholesome image that judges have been told to Heather Nicole Busin, Miss Pennsylvania, has found her platform of family literacy overwhelmed by interest in the small tattoo of a sun below her navel. "I love sunny days and the brightness when the sun comes out cheers me up,"

> into the Nineties, there is no sense yet that Miss America contestants will be lurching into the new millennium wearing leather thongs and nose rings. The strictures for the swimsuit section are very precise: bikinis must have bottoms that drop no more than an inch below the navel and have sides no less than 24 inches wide. Tops must provide full coverage, with straps at least half an inch wide.

Unchanged is the enduring insistence of the organisers that the event is not a beauty contest but a scholarship competition. They proudly boast



Ringing in the new: the bikini of Jill Cummings, Miss Vermont, reveals her pierced navel

the realities of modern society

and television of the 1990s.

biggest source of scholarship

The competition began in 1921, the year after women gained the vote, and was Leonard Horn, the pageant president, shrugged off accuoriginally seen as a commercial means to extend the brief sations of political correctness summer season in Atlantic and said that Miss America

tors, whose skirted bathing appealed to a devout section of the blue-collar population.

In the Fifties and Sixties, it regularly attracted one of the biggest television audiences of the year. Since then the audience has dipped and younger viewers have mainly tuned in to laugh at the archaic glamour of a past era.

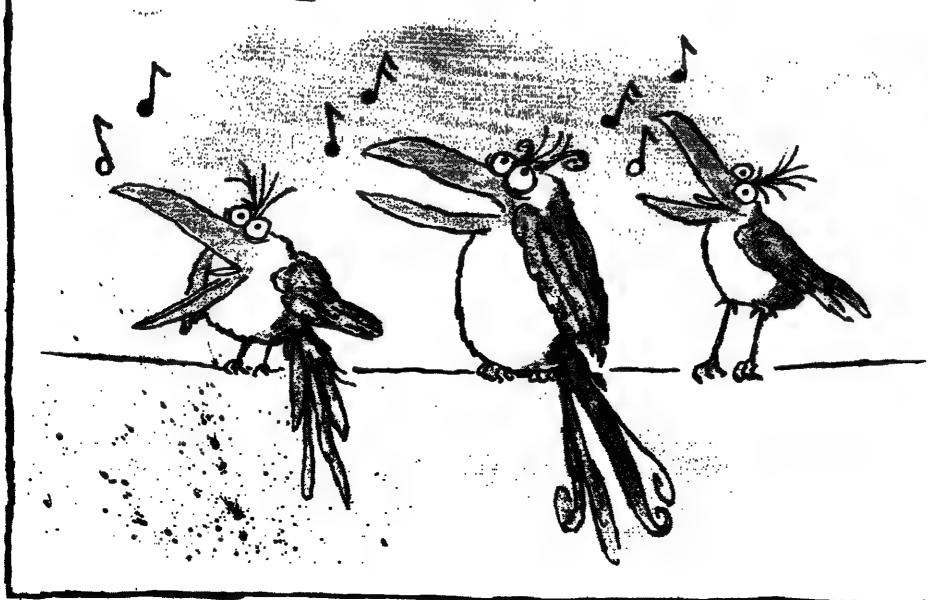
A brief surge of interest came when Vanessa Williams, an actress and pop singer. lost the title in 1984 after Penthouse published nude photographs of her. Mr Horn, who now sub-

scribes to Seventeen magazine, hopes that tonight's performance will attract attention for more positive reasons. "It has nothing to do with political correctness," he said. Society has changed. We now have the same uphill battle any other television show has to get attention. The only way this programme is going to exist, in my view, is if we



Strict rules govern the two-piece swimsuits worn by contestants such as Erika Kauffman, Miss Hawaii

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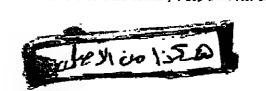
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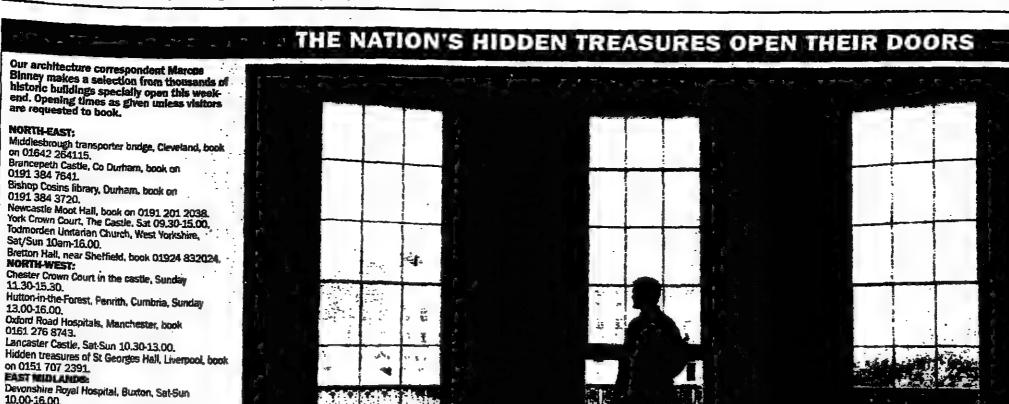
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First World War forts in the Humber (book on 01472-373471). The RAF base at Hemswell in Lincolnshire is providing guided tours. You need to take identification to get into Halton House, Wendover, near Aylesbury, an RAF officers' mess housed in a sumptuous 1883 Rothschild mansion (book on 01296-623535 ext 6378). Identification and is also needed to enter Tregantle, near Plymouth, an 1862 Palmerston fort. Himley Hall in Dudley, neglected by the National Coal Board, is now restored for exhibitions.

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Also on show is the Grand

National race course at Aintree, where the stables and jockeyroom will be open (Sunday 10am-5pm); the Carlton Ballroom in Rochdale, ravaged by fire and now lovingly restored to its pre-war glory (Sat/Sun. 2pm-4pm): the Medway Queen paddle steamer at Rochester in Kent, a heroine of Dunkirk, built in 1924 and now being restored (Sat/Sun

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# SCOTTISH DEVOLUTION: WHAT THE FUTURE MIGHT HOLD Surprising faces on fantasy front bench

Magnus Linklater believes the revolution promised in Scottish politics will be led by

some unexpected, but familiar, names

FIRST MINISTER Dewar rises to his feet beneath the great steel and glass dome of the controversial new Scottish parliament building in Leith, and begs leave to introduce the first major Bill of the new session. The President, Lord Steel of Aikwood, inclines his head briefly, and Mr Dewar begins to outline the aims of the Schools Curriculum (Scotland) Bill, the biggest shake-up of primary and secondary education in Scotland since the Education Act of 1872.

"Mr President," he announces, "the aim of this Bill is little short of revolutionary: it will ensure that within the next decade Scottish pupils become the best educated. the best informed, and the most highly skilled in Europe. It gives me pleasure to call upon my colleague. Mr Robin Cook, to outline the provisions of this ground-breaking piece of leg-

The year is 2001, and Scotland's parliament is, as promised, up and running. There have been more than a few hiccups, and a seemingly never-ending list of surprises. The first is Donald Dewar himself. who has persuaded the Prime Minister to allow him to serve as First Minister while continuing to hold his post as Secretary of State in the Cabinet. Both have agreed that this is a temporary measure.

but it has proved useful in smoothing out teething troubles, Alongside him is Mr Cook, who has stunned his colleagues by opting to serve in a Scottish parliament rather than continue as Foreign Secretary, though perhaps the thwarting of his ambition to be Chancellor of the Exchequer may have had something to do with it.

Also on the front bench, three women from very different walks of life. The actress Elaine C. Smith. better known as the television wife of Rab C. Nesbitt, has been created Minister of Culture despite her nationalist leanings; Ann Gloag, the boss of Scotland's most successful new company, Stagecoach, has been persuaded to take on the transport portfolio; and Sheila McKechnie, director of the Consumer's Association and former boss of Shelter, has returned from London to head the Department of Housing. Watching all this with a wary eye from the Opposition benches are two unlikely bedfel-lows: Alex Salmond, of the Scottish National Party, and Michael Forsyth, who has surprised everyone by turning his back on Westminster (for the time being at least) and gaining entry to the new parlia-

ment on the Tory party list. All fantasy, of course. There is no suggestion that any of these named here have yet been approached to









Mrs Rab C. Nesbitt (Elaine C. Smith) brings a touch of culture to an otherwise heavyweight fantasy front bench of Donald Dewar, Lord Steel and Robin Cook

serve in Scotland's new parliament, although some are bound to be there. But one thing that the double Yes vote ushers in is a period of fevered speculation about who is likely to stand and what kind of place this parliament will turn out to be. Mr Dewar is already the favoured front-runner for First Minister (as the Government's White Paper calls the Scottish

Prime Minister), despite the fact that he will be 63 by the time the parliament is in place. Lord Steel might well relish the post of President, the equivalent of the Speaker at Westminster.

Mr Cook is a passionate advocate of reform, and could yet decide that his destiny lies in helping this great constitutional experiment. And it is the stated objective of all

parties to ensure that the Scottish parliament not only has a high proportion of women, but is not dominated by party time servers. The aim is to attract business people, charity workers, lawyers, teachers and others to lighten the mix and ensure that it does not simply become another House of

There will be other differences:

proportional representation will ensure a better balance of parties; committees, open to the public, will take on a much higher profile role, particularly as there will - initially at any rate - be no revising second hours will be forbidden; sittings might only take place on one week a month; Bills would have two

be graded rather like those of civil servants: the media would be allowed far greater access to information than at Westminster.

These are just some of the ideas for what could be a model new parliament — at least during these heady early days when anything seems possible. Whether they survive in the real world of politics

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Act is passed. MAY 1999: first elections are held for the 129-member parliament under proportional representation. Voters in each of the 72 contituencies, plus one extra because of the separation of Orkney and Shet-land, will elect 73 MSPs under the first past the post system.

2000: the first sitting of the four-year, fixed-term parliament in the purpose built building in Edinburgh. The Scottish executive, including a First Minister and a team of Scottish ministers, is appointed. Scotland remains part of the United Kingdon and the Queen remains head of State.

POWERS: the parliament will have legislative powers over domestic issues, including health, education, economic development, tourism. transport, law, prisons, environment, agriculture, fisheries and forestry, food standards, sport, arts and public records. It will continue to receive its share of UK public expenditure, the Scottish Block Grant, which currently stands at around £14 billion, but will also be able to vary income tax by up to 3p in the pound. However, Labour has pledged They will cast a second vote for not to use the tax powers for five years of this Westminster a party to elect additional 56 Parliament, or the first two

> EUROPE: Scotland is likely to have its own office in Brussels and will be represented in negotiations in Europe: Scottish ministers may be able to speak for the UK in council meetings although UK minister will retain overall responsibility for negotiations.

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# Margin of victory for double 'yes' campaign is emphatic

BY SHIRLEY ENGLISH

SCOTLAND voted decisively for home rule in the devolution referendum, with an unexpectedly large majority backing plans for a Scottish parliament with tax-varying powers.

The margin of support for constitutional change exceeded even the expectations of campaigners, particularly on the second question on tax. Three-quarters (74.3 per cent) voted in favour of a Scottish parliament and 63.5 per cent backed tax-varying powers. About 45 per cent of the total electorate voted "yes", so the huge endorsement would easily have passed the 40 per cent hurdle set in 1979 by a Labour MP. George Cunningham, when Scots last voted on home

At that time, just 32.9 per cent voted in favour. Taking into account the slightly lower turnout of 60 per cent this time, compared with 63 per cent in 1979, the result showed a clear swing towards devolu-

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tion throughout Scotland. All 32 of the local authority areas in Scotland voted overwhelmingly for a parliament. and only two areas, Orkney and Dumíries and Galloway, at opposite ends of the country, voted against tax-varying powers. Even the old pockets of resistance to home rule, in Shetland, the Scottish Borders, Orkney, Aberdeen, and Dumfries and Galloway, and Tayside which rejected devolution in 1979, all supported the creation of a parliament

However, the size of the "yes" vote on the second question, on tax-varying powers, was probably the biggest surprise. Opinion polls had forecast a close contest, raising fears of a "yes, no" vote, but on



Wallace: his constituency voted against tax powers the night the support was unambiguous.

The strongest backing for tax-varying powers came from the Labour strongholds of Glasgow and West Dumbartonshire, where three out of four of those who turned out voted yes. These two areas also brought in the biggest "yes" vote on the first question. However, Glasgow also had the lowest turnout with just half the electorate bothering to take part in what had been billed Scotland's most important decision for nearly 300

Those most wary about taxvarying powers were largely found in the areas which rejected devolution 18 years ago - the Scottish Borders, Perth and Kinross and Shetland.

There had been fears that turnout would be embarrassingly low, because of apathy or loss of momentum after campaigning was suspended because of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, But as the results came in early yesterday morning, it soon emerged that those worries were misplaced. The first declaration, from Clackmannanshire at 12.44am, showed that twothirds had voted, a trend

which continued until the last result from Highland just

The turnout was high enough to give the Government a mandate for constitutional change. The "yes-no" results in Orkney and Dumfries and Galloway were the only signs of dissent on a night which showed the Scots' quiet determination to take more control of their own affairs.

At a ceremony in Edinburgh where he was presented with the final figures by the chief counting officer, Donald Dewar, the Scottish Secretary, said: "The people have spoken. John Smith's belief in the settled will of the Scottish people was truly justified last

Alex Salmond, leader of the Scottish Nationalists, said that Scots had won "a great victory for their country". Jim Wallace, leader of the Scottish Liberal Democrats, said the result was Scotland's "vote of

Magnus Linklater, page 22 Leading article

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# Now the arguments can really start

There can no longer be any dispute about the "settled will" of the Scottish people. But Thursday's vote was in many ways a continuation of May 1 - a contemptuous rejection of the Tories and an assertion of Scottish national identity and pride. It was not, however, a considered verdict on Scotland's relations with the rest of the

Such questions were avoidconfidence" in itself.

the detailed legislation this winter. The Tories have again been routed and their only sensible course is to try to make devolution compa with continuation of the Several issues were left

deliberately opaque in the Government's White Paper in ed during the referendum campaign because of the alli-July. The most important ance of convenience between Labour and the SNP. To were the central government maximise the "yes-yes" vote, both parties ignored the long-term incompatibility of their grant to Scotland and the number of Scottish MPs in tax-varying powers are large-ly symbolic since 95 per cent of respective aims of devolution and separation. But in their spending will continue to be allocated via a block grant from Whitehall. moment of triumph, Donald Dewar, the Scottish Secretary. and Alex Salmond, the Scottish National Party leader.

RIDDELL ON POLITICS now become enemies again. arguments between Edin-The clearcut outcome will burgh and London over the undermine any attempt, especially in the Lords, to obstruct the white Paper whether the Scottish Secretary will, in effect, become un umbassador in London for the new executive and parliament Bdinburgh, arguing with the Chancellor and Chief Secretary, both at present Scottish

> The other big question is over the role and number of Scottish MPs at Westminster. This partly arises over the amornaly - the so-called West Lothian question - that Scottish MPs will not be able to vote on education, health and other issues devolved to an Edinburgh parliament, but will be able to vote on such matters affecting England. There is no answer apart from

not answer, is to reduce the already over-represented in the Commons. If each constitnency in Scotland and England had the same number of voters, the number of members from north of the border would fall from 72 to 58.

All the Government has mid is that the number of MPs will be re-examined at the next review of constituency boundaries after the next election, but this would only come into effect in nine or ten years. There will be pressure for earlier action and a more precise commitment.

The size of the Labour majority in the Commons will both strengthen the reluctance of the strong Scottish faction

is not going to happen. The ment to resist any amend-obvious political response, if ments. However, the Scottish vote will have wider implicapatchy constitutional debate in England. John Prescott, Deputy Prime Minister, has argued that the Scottish result strengthens the argument for regional government in Eng-land. And the proposal for a proportional system of elec-tion for the Scottish Parliament will reinforce the broader case for electoral

> reverberations Thursday's vote will not stop at Berwick or Green. Constitutional reform is now at the centre of the British, as well as the Scottish and Welsh, political agenda.

PETER RIDDELL

### Welsh are urged to follow same path

By Valerie Elliott

RON DAVIES, the Weish Secretary, sought to capitalise on the emphatic vote for devolution and urged Wales to follow Scotland's lead. He unveiled a new cam-

paign poster warning the Welsh: "Don't let Wales get left behind." A leaflet urging people to vote in next week's referendum on a Welsh assembly was also sent out to 1.2 million homes yesterday.
Mr Davies led the final charge for a convincing "yes" vote as government efforts switched to Wales. Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, on a brief visit to South Wales said: We are seeing the emergence of a new Wales ... putting the

old fears behind it." Mr Davies spelt out the government message in several interviews. The status quo is not an option. Do the Welsh people really want a situation where Scotland has its own parliament, can take its own decisions and has the ability to speak up for itself in Westminster and Brussels, and yet we in Wales are left

with the old ways?" The Government proposes a Welsh assembly with 60 members, 20 elected by proportional representation. But the body will have no legislative or tax-raising powers.

### Result throws lifeline to dejected Conservatives New parliament could be a way back after general election rout, reports Nicholas Watt

SCOTTISH Tories tried to put on a brave face yesterday, but there was no disguising their dismay after

voters emphatically rejected their warnings about devolution. The scale of the double "yes" vote four months after the Tories were hounded out of Scotland has left the party in tatters. After years of dire warnings about breaking up the

Union, Conservatives now face the prospect of having to stand for a pody they opposed so vigorously.

Michael Ancram, the constitutional affairs spokesman, indicated

a change of thinking yesterday when he said that the party would play a full role in the parliament. where it would concentrate on bread and butter issues.

Although he will maintain his assault on the Government's devolution legislation in the Commons, Mr Ancram said there was a "new dimension" in Scottish politics. Speaking in Edinburgh in front of a new blue poster carrying the slogan

"A Fresh Start", Mr Ancram said: "Hopefully the parliament will not just become a vehicle for further argument about the governance of Scotland, but will actually go about the job of administering the devolved powers within Scotland. That means dealing with issues like

nursing, education and health." His remarks show that Conservatives privately regard the parlia-ment as a lifeline to the revival of their fortunes in Scotland. The PR woting system means that the Tories should win about 22 seats in the 129seat legislature, even if they achieve only the 17.5 per cent of the vote they won on May 1.

Conservatives made clear vesterday that they were determined to secure a strong presence in the parliamant. Sir Adrian Shinwell, a former president of the party north of the border, has already been

appointed to draw up a list of uitable candidates to stand for the body. Mr Ancram, a Scot who is now the MP for Devizes after twice losing seats in Scotland, said he relished the challenge. "I have had ups and downs in my career. When you are down there is only one way

you can go and that is up."
One prominent Scottish Conservative said yesterday that the party faced a formidable task because it

had damaged its credibility by campaigning for a double "no" vote, Brian Meek, an Edinburgh councillor who is a veteran pro-devolutionist, said: The Conservative Party needed another defeat like a poke in the eve with a sharp stick.

Mr Meek underlined the depth of divisions within the party by attack-ing Mr Ancram. He said: "I would be more encouraged if Michael Ancrem would simply pursue his career as the MP for Devizes. He cannot speak for Scotland from that

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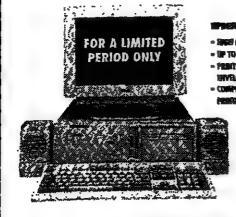
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# Rabble rouser keeps foes on toes

NEW YORKERS who do not like the Rev Al Sharpton — and that includes virtually everyone who is white - have a fat kitbag of complaints about this feisty black politician. These range from serious accusations that his views on race are incendiary, and that he frequently "forgets" to pay his taxes, to the more petty jibes about how he spends \$1,200 (£760) a month to have his hair "relaxed" into a James Brown bouffant.

While sharing the first two. I must confess to having a soft spot for the paunchy reverend. Without the nimble Mr Sharpton, who walks the walk and talks the talk better than any politician I have

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would be unutterably soporific, its atmosphere akin to that of a

morgue on a slow day. Mr Sharpton has just shocked New York by forcing Ruth Messinger, the front-runner for the Democratic Party's ticket for

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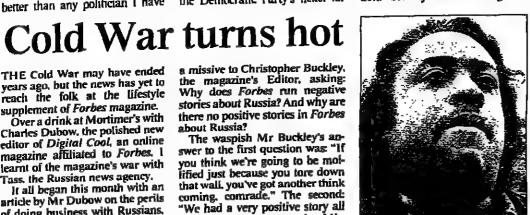
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encountered, the city's politics November's mayoral election, into a second-round "run off" on September 23. Ms Messinger, who has all the charisma of cold porridge, is reported to be distraught. The reverend, however, is floating on a sea of self-satisfac-tion. Shortly after forcing the



Sharpton: a force critics

second round earlier this week, he purred to the television cameras: This is our day. This is our time. I

can fly! I can fly! I can fly!

On the campaign trail last week
he showed a deft demotic touch in his grasp of civic issues. "Giuliani cut \$1.2 billion from the education budget. Then he spends \$200 million on new computers for schools and talks about what he's doing for education. That's like someone mugging you, taking your money and then giving you a subway token to get home... And asking you to say thanks!"

Mr Sharpton, you can tell, has been a preacher since he was four years old. He was then called the Wonderboy. He's now called Sharp Al. His autobiography, Go and Tell Pharaoh, was published last year. I have just finished reading it and there is but one way to describe it: auto-hagiography.

But the man now appears determined to put behind him the posturing, the diatribes, the racial rockets fired at "White America". that led him to be depicted as the Rev Reggie Bacon in Tom Wolfe's The Bonfire of the Vanities.

"No justice, no peace," is still his battle-cry. Mr Sharpton is remaking himself. He will not win the "run off", still less become Mayor. But he is now a force that his critics and that, remember, includes everyone who is white — would be extremely foolish to ignore.



Dietrich's apartment comes with stolen ashtrays and piano

MARLENE DIETRICH'S flat on Park Avenue in plushest Manhattan has finally been sold after lying unused for 19 years. The "4.5 room" pad was bought for about \$625,000 (£393,000), a steal when you bear in mind that it has all her furniture and some of her possessions. There is even a big, pink four-poster, Other "fixtures" include her vast collection of stolen hotel ashtrays and a Blüthner grand piano — perfect for those who want to puff on a cigarette and sing a husky Lili Marlene.

### Abstract expressions

YOU have been warned. Do not anatomical, chromosomal or horread a book called Abstract Expressionism: Other Politics. a newly published tome by Ann Eden Gibson on American abstract painting.

If you do, you will need to wade through text like this: "The problem of whether sex is natural,

monal, and whether the sexes have different histories, suggests that perhaps sex has always been as culturally constructed as gender. This puts the terms 'man' and 'woman' in question, too."

And that is from the preface, the

said: "I wanted to go to a pub with Timber and get to know some Londoners. But that's not going to happen. And you know something? If Princess Di were here, she'd understand my plight."

work that way."

foils trip

Mr Perino, 54, had wanted to

London next month, but was told

he could not take Timber, his

Norwegian shepherd guide dog, with him. They said he'd have to

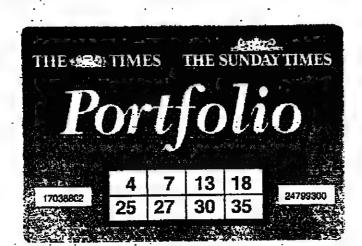
be in quarantine for months before I could have him with me in

England. I can't do that. They said I could get a guide dog in England, but they didn't seem to understand

that guide dogs aren't like cars. You can't just hire them. It doesn't

He has cancelled his holiday and regrets that he will never get to visit "a real London ale house". He

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### Bosnian polls to dictate future of ethnic mix

FROM TOM WALKER IN SARAJEVO

BOSNIANS go to the polls today and tomorrow, in a \$53 million (£33 million) internarestore the country's precarious ethnic balance.

The Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) is hoping the municipal ballot can kickstart the painful process of helping Bosnians to return to their old homes — ethnic reintegration is the much-ignored central tenet of the Dayton peace accord. Some 2.4 million have registered to vote, the majority living, and voting, far from where they resided before the war. But they will be able to cast their votes for councils in their former home areas. If they can help to elect friendly tempted to return.

Bosnians have little choice other than to vote for nationalist parties sworn to protecting ethnic interests. The Serbs and Croats stand to lose towns. and both have only recently dropped boycott threats. Serb nationalists face seeing their vice-like grip on Republika Srpska diluted by significant Muslim representation on some town councils, while the Croats may lose some strategic border towns altogether, threatening the security of

neighbouring Croatia itself. The OSCE, embarrassed by a mysterious 104 per cent turnout at last year's national election that helped to widen Bosnia's ethnic divide, has been desperate to find the formula this time.

"These are the most complicat ed elections, ever." David Foley, an OSCE spokesman, said. There are some 2,200 polling stations, with at least one international monitor in each, protected by the 30,000strong Nato

Embarrassing sideshows have tended to detract from the central theme. Journalists have wanted to know what will happen to war criminals - especially those on secret "sealed indictment" lists found exercising their democratic rights.
The OSCE indicated there

would be a two-day amnesty for anyone not publicly listed by The Hague war crimes tribunal, which said that the OSCE had no right to twist the rules. Wesley Clarke, a Nato general said he knew nothing of an amnesty.

Duncan Bullivant, spokesman for the Office of the High Representative in Bosnia, yes terday tried to calm troubled waters. These are just two days in the history of Bosnia. two days in which people can determine how they are governed," he said.

Towns in the spotlight include Srebrenica, scene of the cre. The Muslim widows and children of those killed are determined to go back. Drvar, on the Croatian border, was once 97 per cent Serb but is now a garrison town occupied by Bosnian Croat soldiers. It could see its former residents flooding home.

### **Palin** in the **Pacific**

actor, comedian and ardent speaker at The Times/Dillons Forum on Thursday, September 18, at the West-

minster Hall, London. For his latest BBC TV series. Palin and his team travelled through the amazing lands bordering the Pacific, and his illustrated



talk presents the highs and lows of this epic journey. Admission price for the forum, which starts at 7.30pm, is £10 (concessions £7.50), including £2 off Palin's book, Full Circle (BBC Books, £19.99).

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# Mocking Helms blocks envoy's path to Mexico

FROM BRONWEN MADDOX IN WASHINGTON

IN an explosive half-hour Jesse Helms, the veteran Republican senator. took on the White House, Democrats and leading figures in his own party as he refused once again to grant the Republican William Weld a hearing for the Mexican ambassadorship.

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Repeatedly slamming down his gavel to drown out interruptions from his committee. and sareastically imitating the Northern accents of his critics, Mr Helms said that Mr Weld had "not the toggiest notion of what he was talking about" when he said the refusal to

Fosterreturned yesterday to

haunt America's First Family

in a new book refuting all

official claims that the former

deputy White House counsel

killed himself in a park out-

An investigation by Chris

Ruddy, a journalist who has

devoted his career to Foster's

death since he was found

dead in Fort Marcy Park in

July 1993, claims the Clinton

confidant could not have driv-

en to Virginia before shooting

The Strange Death of Vin-

cent Foster, to be published

later this month, comes seven

months after Kenneth Starr.

the independent Whitewater

prosecutor, ruled that the

deputy counsel could not have

been murdered and that his

Foster is purported to have

death was not the subject of a

killed himself with a .38 Colt

Army service revolver, but

evidence indicates that he

never owned such a guin, that

no blood, blowback or finger-

prints were visible on the

weapon and that the fired

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side Washington.

"unprocedented". In the past ten years there had been 154 cases where presidential nominees for jobs in the Administration, courts or embassies had been squashed without a formal committee hearing, Mr Helms said.

Sheets of paper the size of bedspreads, carrying the mag-nified details of the 154 precedents, were draped from the front of the committee's semicircular table. Gesturing at the lists. Mr Helms said: "I have a lut of company."

Mr Helms, a conservative North Carolina Republican, has used his power as chair-man of the Senate Foreign

pendent forensic scientists

have concluded to Mr Ruddy

that the drainage of blood

from Foster's mouth and nose

strongly suggested that his

heart had stopped beating

fact that Foster's car keys,

never found in either his

pocket or car at the scene.

suddenly appeared later

among his effects at the

hospital morgue.

Mr Ruddy also details the

before the shot was fired.

**Author questions** 

Clinton aide death

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

THE DEATH of Vincent bullet was never found. Inde-

Relations Committee to block the nomination of the former Massachusetts Governor, a moderate Republican. He argues that Mr Weld, who backs the medical use of marijuana and needle-exchange pro-grammes for addicts, is too soft on drugs to represent the US in a drug-plagued country.

But the row has split Republican senators, who see it as a battle for the soul of the party between a liberal, aristocratic northerner and an arch-con-South, Trent Lott, the Senate majority leader who is also a southerner, has backed Mr. Helms, calling on Mr Clinton on Thursday to withdraw the nomination.

The escalating row, which has turned the national spotlight on the Republican feuds. has delighted the White House, which believes it will win whatever the outcome. Moments before the committee meeting, the White House said flatly that "the President absolutely will not send another nominee".

Yesterday's hastily called meeting, which Mr Helms had tried to block, was torced on technical grounds by the Indiana Republican Richard Lugar and the Delaware Democrat Joseph Biden, both members of the committee. after he refused to hold a hearing. As the committee gathered,

Mr Helms shook hands with Mr Weld, joking, "Do you have your visa? [for Mexico]", moments before launching He accused Mr Weld of

threatening to "begin war within the Republican party" if he did not get a hearing. "Let him try," Mr Helms said. "! do not yield to ideological extortion. If the President chooses to

step into a head-on conflict with Mr Helms, he could resort to a rarely-used technical clause for "recess appointments", allowing him to appoint Mr Weld to Mexico without Senate approval. Mr Weld could then serve only for



Hors d'oeuvre: Anthony Jackson puts his horse through its paces yesterday at a preview in Sydney of the Royal Lipizzaner Stallions' tour of Australia

### Poison trap laid for coyotes

New York: Tens of thousands of coyotes across America face death by poisoning after the Administration announced emergency plans to cull their numbers (Tunku Varadarajan

The move follows pressure from the sheep farming industry, which last year alone lost \$35 million (£22 million) worth of animals to the coyote.

Coyotes are treated as a they are shot, trapped, blud- with Compound 1080, a potent will not be spoiled.

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geoned, snared, strangled and electrocuted. A total of 82,261 covotes were killed last year and more than 683,000 since 1990. Yet their numbers keep rising and their hunting arounds have spread beyond the arid west to such places as

New England and Florida. The new campaign is only aimed at covotes which attack sheep. Those which prey on rabbits and rodents will be toxin, are being rushed to Oregon and northern California, the worst-affected areas. Environmentalists fear that the poison will enter the foodchain. They say poisoned coy-

otes could decompose near

streams or rivers, contaminating the water supply. Federal officials argue that the poison will be used in such small quantities there will be no danger. They say tests have

### IN MIAMI ACCUSATIONS by the Cu-ban Government of a bomb Holocaust. plot by Miami exiles and Central American death squads linked to drug traffick-

ing seem to be unravelling days after Cuba announced the arrest of an alleged Salvadorean mercenary, The Interior Ministry said that the man being held. Raul

Cubans

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FROM DAVID ADAMS

Cruz León, is a former UStrained Salvadorean ex-serviceman in the pay of the Cuban American National Foundation, a wealthy group of Cuban exiles in Miami. Cuban officials said that

Mr Cruz León made a video-

taped confession in which he said that he had been hired abroad and had planted at least six bombs, including one in a hotel lobby last week which exploded killing an Italian businessman. He was arrested after allegedly placing the last of four bombs a week last Thursday. The police say that traces of C-4 plastic explosive were found on his hands and fingernails and in a haversack.

The Cuban version is being challenged by American and Salvadorean official sources. as well as by Miami exiles and Mr Cruz León's family.

American officials say they are investigating any Miami link to the bombings, but complain that Havana has provided no credible evidence. The Salvadorean army said that Mr Cruz Leon dropped out of military academy after only eight months and was never more than a cadet. The US military also denied that he had undergone weapons and explosives training at Fort Benning, Georgia, as Cuba claims.

His family said that Mr Cruz León worked for a Salvadorean entertainment company and had travelled to Cube on holiday with Cuban friends working with a Cuban circus. "What they are saying about Raul is false," his sister Yanira Cruz León said.

The Cuban American National Foundation has denied any link to the bombings, al-

WORLD SUMMARY

### New fund for Nazis' victims

Brussels: Britain, the United States and France yesterday proposed setting up a new fund to aid directly an estimated 350,000 survivors of the

The kernel of the fund will be the £37.4 million worth of gold bars still held by the Tripartite Gold Commission set up after the war to distribute to central banks bullion that had been looted by the Nazis. However the commission admitted that some of this gold included items stolen from individuals and resmelted, (Reuters)

### Mine treaty hitch

America will not sign the treaty banning the use of all anti-personnel landmines un-less the draft is changed, a US negotiator at the Oslo conference said (Michael Binyon writes), America was still comnised its global security responsibilities, he said.

### Girl sold for sex

Brisbane: The parents of a girl aged 11 were jailed for 12 years for selling their daughter for £10 to an elderly man for sex at his home. The man, 67, was also jailed for 12 years. (Reuter)

Delhi: P.V. Narasimha Rao, India's former Prime Minister, faces trial on charges arising from a 1993 confidence vote in which four MPs were allegedly paid £500,000 to support his Government. (AP)

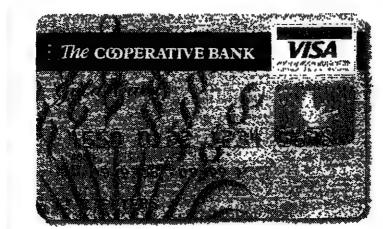
America, increasing hopes that the epidemic is being slowed by prevention and new drugs. Deaths last years were

### Ned Kelly claim

Brisbane: Descendants of two Aboriginal trackers who never received their reward for helping to capture Ned Kelly, the outlaw, lost a court action for "any act of internal rebellion". | compensation. (Reuters)

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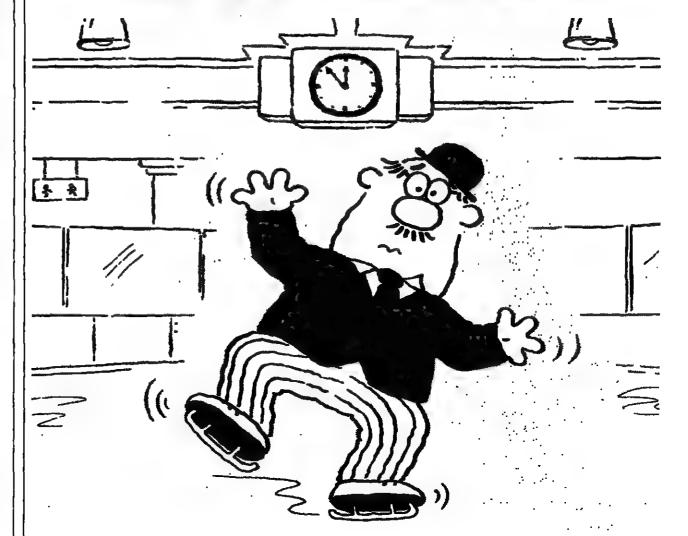
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# Puccini fight as old score is settled



Richard Owen, in Viareggio, finds that a 20-year legal fight has not weakened the resolve of Puccini's granddaughter

the granddaughter of the Italian composer. is launching a campaign to save his crumbling villas at the Tuscan resort of Viareggio. where La Boheme. Manon Lescaut and Turandot were created.

In June Signora Puccini. 68 completed a 20-year legal battle to prove her right to the composer's inheritance, including his lakeside villa at Torre del Lago, outside Viareggio, and his birthplace at Lucca. But after years of neglect the Torre del Lago villa is in serious disrepair, and prey to thieves and

Moreover, Signora Puccini was not awarded the third dilapidated Puccini property Puccini near the seafront at Viareggio, which is in danger of being auctioned off to become a discotheque or a block of flats. She nopes to raise funds to run all three villas into a "Puccini trail", with concerts, shops and high tech exhibits "to make the magic of the maestro come

Puccini's legacy after his death in 1924 was complicated by the fact that he had what II Messaggero this week called "an exuberant love



Puccini: complications

IMONETTA Puccini. able to prove a direct line of descent; although her father, Antonio, was born before Puccini married her grandmother Elvira, "he was always a Puccini and had the Puccini name ... My grandfather was a man of enormous fascination and charm, aithough he was also vulnerable and occasionally melan-choly". Signora Puccini is irritated by suggestions that Puccini was a Bohemian lady's man, like a character in worked very hard."

Signora Puccini was the product of a liaison between Antonio and Maria, "a re-served and shy teacher" from Milan (often wrongly described as a ballet dancer). Antowoman. Rita Dell'Anna, but Antonio "always took an interest in me as his daughter". When Antonio died in 1946. she was recognised as a "natural daughter" entitled to part of the legacy, but it took her until 1974 to prove in law that she was entitled to the name Puccini, and another 23 years to get the villas. She has founded the Puccini Institute in Milan. which publishes

letters and documents relat-

ing to the composer, and an

of the Puccini Houses".

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But despite her victory, Signora Puccini has no access to the house in Viareggio where her grandfather lived from 1921 until his death, and vhich she often visited as a child. Her summer home in Viareggio (she lives mainly in Milan) is tantalisingly close: is Puccini's chauffeur's former flat above the garage next to the house (Puccini was a keen motorist). The house, built in Oriental style to recall Turandot (which was written there) is falling down. "We need one and a half million pounds to buy it, and even more to restore it." she said. The wooden balustrades are broken, bars covering the



Simonetta Puccini, granddaughter of the composer, has won her legal battle but is now fighting to save his villas, including the one at Torre del Lago, above and right

windows are twisted, and the garden is overgrown. "My grandfather loved the house în everv detail. I remember as a child a marvellous garden full of gardenias and rhododendrons. It is all gone." Over three miles away, is the villa where Puccini lived and composed from 1899-21, and where he is buried.

The Puccini Festival is held nearby every summer, with seating for three thousand. The villa is a place of pligrimage; even the streets of Torre del Lago are named after Puccini operas. Visitors can see Puccini's death mask, the chapel where he is buried, the gun room, with Puccini's rifles, hunting boots and stuffed birds, and the card table in the drawing room were his friends played noisily while he composed at

the piano. But the cluttered rooms are marred by rising damp, the windows are broken and ill-fitting, and there have been several robberies. with photographs, Tiffany lamps, antique furniture, and even the inkwell of Puccini's desk stolen. Side rooms next to the family mausoleum are full of discarded artefacts. and the walls are peeling. Signora Puccini hopes to renovate the villa and open it "to all lovers of Puccini"

Her restoration plans may be held up, however, not only by lack of funds, but also by the revelation this week that the former caretaker at the Torre del Lago villa, Giacomo Giovannoni. 44. whom she dismissed when she took it over in July, also claims descent from the composer, and may contest the villa's ownership.



# Smiles but little joy greet prospect of euro's punctual birth

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN MONDORF, LUXEMBOURG

AFTER years of anguish over the Maastricht criteria for monetary union. Europe's finance ministers had reason to smile when they turned up at this spa town last night to start work on the end-game for the launch of the euro.

Thanks to economic recovery and tough fiscal medicine, France and Germany as well as half a dozen other EU states now seem wellplaced to pass the 1997 budget test to win entry to the euro club next May.

Bonn and Paris have this week delivered optimistic forecasts of their readiness to qualify. Lionel Jospin, the French Prime Minister, has also just confirmed his determination to put the euro ahead of the Socialist pledges made during last spring's election campaign.

However. Theo Waigel, the German Finance Minister, and his colleagues were hardly in high spirits last night as they arrived for a weekend intended to help clear the way for the EU's grandest project. The closer the euro gets, the sharper is the light thrown on the

political hurdles along the final straight to the launch date of January I. 1999. Unemployment in Germany and France and growing resistance in the German political world, are fuelling doubts about the prospects for locking a probable majority of the EU states into monetary union.

The Mondorf meeting, to be attended by Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, and Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England, is focusing on the few remaining technical decisions. However, the ministers are also seeking answers

to big questions. Top among these is the collision between Bonn's vision of a currency run on the strict antiinflationist creed of the Bundesbank and France's determination to manage the currency as a tool for generating growth and combatting the "global hegemony" of the dollar. Linked with this is a EU-wide drive to tackle unemployment.

France forced Germany at the Amsterdam summit in June to acquiesce in the creation of an "economic pole" to balance the power of the European Central Bank, controller of the future cur-

rency. Paris put aside its demand for an "economic government" but since insisted on a "euro Council". M Jospin said this week: The single currency will have no sense without a body to co-ordinate economic policy. The euro must be accompanied by ... employment policy in European construction." Germany's guardians of monetary rectitude sec this as a recipe for inflation and a soft currency, especially now that the euro seems likely to be embraced by Italy. Spain and other nations with shaky monetary

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and so potentially soft, euro is feeding German anxiety.

Despite the increasingly noisy debate, many EU officials believe the euro is firmly on course for its launch, Jacques Santer, President of the European Commission, this week urged the Germans and others to stop worrying out loud and said the 1999 start was inevitable. He and other euro supporters are drawing encouragement from an unlikely source: the financial markets. From Wall Street to Tokyo, the betting is on a successful birth for

Outcry in France at illegally sterilised women

> FROM BEN MACINIYRE IN PARIS

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AN investigation has been launched into reports that 15,000 Frenchwomen have been illegally sterilised without their consent after being ruled mentally unfit for motherhood.

The women aged under 45 were sterilised by state-run insititutions responsible for their care and often at the request of their parents, according to a report in the investigative weekly Charlie-Hebdo. Under French law sterilisation without consent is illegal in all but a handful of cases, and the French Social Affairs Ministry this week launched an inquiry into the allegations.
The report was based on

research by Nicole Diederich. France's foremost expert on mental retardation. She claimed that the rate of involuntary sterilisation has accelerated in France over the past two decades and is now commonly practised in psychiatric

One third of the women sterilised were selected for the operation simply because they were "lightly retarded, with insufficient lQs", she claimed. Many were allegedly told they were undergoing a routine operation and some remain operation and some remain unaware that they cannot have children.

The report was published following the recent scandal over forced sterilisation of women in Sweden, which received wide and shocked coverage in France.

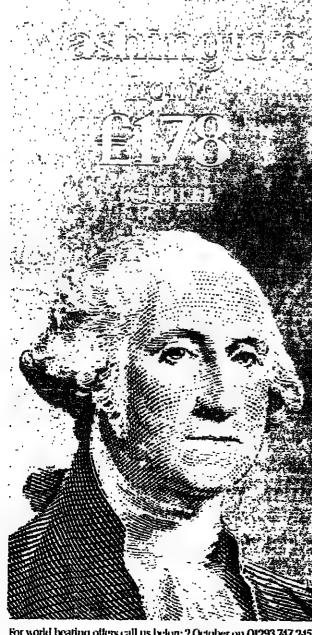
The research was immediately challenged by the French Order of Doctors on the basis that Mme Diederich could not have obtained the statistics without violating strict French rules governing medical secrecy. The group did not deny that sterilisations had been performed, but insisted the practice was used "only in isolated cases" and for overriding medical reasons would be endangered by

pregnancy.
Mme Deiderich said the figure of 15,000 was an estiin the Gironde region, and she called for a full inquiry into how many female patients in French psychiatric institutions, currently numbering more than 40,000, had been sterilised without their know-

ledge or consent. The National Union of Associations of Parents and Friends condemned forced sterilisation as a means of birth control but conceded that some parents, on the advice of doctors, "may have resorted to such a practice in certain

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FROM DAVID ORR TOURISTS hoping for a relaxing holiday on Kenya's coast

are getting more than they were led to expect from the brochures. A spate of attacks by armed raiders has sent shockwaves through the luxury beach resorts that dot the coastline. According to local tourism officials, the violence is likely to continue until elections later this year. in the latest attack, on

Spreading

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in Kenya

Thursday, a band of about 60 men wielding automatic assault rifles descended on a coastal village just south of Mombasa. In the ensuing gunbattle, two Kenyan civilans were killed and two injured. More than 20 shops and hars were burnt to the ground. The police said that by yesterday afternoon they had shot dead 10 and arrested 27 of the guerrillas. About 60 Kenyans have

been killed and thousands August when guerrillas attacked a police station at Likoni, south of Mombasa. Then six police officers were shot dead. Guns and ammunition stolen from the station are still being used in attacks. The targets have mostly

been Kenyans from the interior, particularly members of the Luc ethnic group, who are regarded locally as being opposed to President Moi and his ruling Kanu party. It is widely believed the attacks are intended by Kanu extremists to intimidate opponents before the forthcoming poll.



Moi: his opponents are being targeted



FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

Albright: taking an

MADELEINE ALBRIGHT yesterday turned her attention from Israel's stalled talks with the Palestinians to its frozen negotituions with Syria as she flew to Damascus to see President Assad.

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US officials aftempted to play down expectations of the Secretary of State's visit, raised by speculation in Israel of a possible thaw with Syria after secret talks in Landon benveen Uzi Arad, an Israeli offi-

cial, and an intermediary. Ms Albright's entourage was anxious for progress after she failed to achieve a breakthrough on talks between Israel and

the Palestinians. She acknowledged that the only tangihie outcome — a promise by officials on both sides officials to fly to the US for more talks later this month - fell far short of what is

Israeli Radio reported yesterday that Ms Albright was carrying a written message from Israeli officials to the

Syrians. US State Department sources said one suggestion would be a low-level resumption of Israeli-Syrian contacts under American auspices.

Before Mrs Albright began her talks with the Syrian leader, one US official said that "differences between the present [Israeli] Government and the past [Labour] Government are not as great as we

The deadlock between Israel and Syria resulted from Mr Assad's insistence that new talks begin where those with the former Gov ernment were broken off. He claimed that Yitzhak Rabin, the assassinated Prime Minister, promised to hand back the whole of the Golan Heights in exchange for peace. Binyamin Netanyahu. Rabin's successor, has so far refused to make a similar pledge.

The 15,000 Jewish settlers on the Golan tried and failed to persuade Ms Albright to visit them. Their leaders lear that Mr Netanyahu may be prepared to abandon them

in exchange for a Syrian peace deal. Shortly before Ms Albright left for Syria, security officials told Yediot Aharonot that the failure to find a resolution to the seven-month

breakdown in Israefi-Palestinian peace talks had left "the high probability of pied territories". Disillusionment

with Mr Netanyahu was indicated by a Gallup poll in Maariv which asked Israelis whether they thought he had a solution to the latest terror campaign. About 72 per cent said No and 22 per cent Yes.

Yoel Marcus, writing in the Tel Aviv broadsheet Haaretz, said Ms Albright had arrived "without any concrete plans, without a carrot and - most importantly — without a stick".

Íslamic militants claimed meanwhile that Israeli agents had kidnapped Ibrahim al-Maqadmeh, one of their leaders, in the Palestinianruled Gaza Strip. An Israeli spokesman flatly denied the

Dr al-Magadmeh had been in hiding since March when Yassir Arafat, the Palestinian leader, freed him from detention in an apparent goodwill gesture.



# Russia's black and blonde chat show host scores hit with sex fantasy TV

TELENA HANGA custs her eves around the studio audience before swooping on her next victim. Man or woman, young or old, no one is spared the intrusion of her microphone and her determination to pry into the most intimate details of their sex

With her slim build, engaging laugh and chatty style, the young black Russian presenter, who wears a striking blonde wig for effect, beguiles her stony-faced guests. Men come clean about their erotic fantasies, a business woman describes in detail how she dominates her male partners in bed and two pensioners confess that they approve of telephone sex lines.

Sex itself may no longer be a taboo in Russia, where adult films, pornographic magazines and prostitution have flourished since the collapse of Soviet rule. However, what Miss Hanga and her weekly chat show About It are attempting is a radical departure into the last relm of Russian society still untouched by the glasnost reforms launched a decade ago. "We jumped straight from censorship to pornograpny, wilhoul ever giving the people a chance to discuss what sex really means in our lives," said

Miss I-langa, who was born and raised in Russia, the daughter of an American communist mother and a Tanzanian nationalist father.

This show fills that gap. It answers problems people would never dare to discuss with their family or friends. And best of all it is entertaining and a lot of funwithout being smutty."

Certainly, Russia could use a dose of sex therapy. Under Communism the state imposed prudish controls on anything to do with sex. banning all sexually explicit material, outlawing homosexuality and even punishing adulterers in the Communist Party.

in one memorable moment during a live television debate in 1986 between American and Russian audiences, a haughty Soviet matron, engaged in a transatlantic duel about the evils of Western society, declared triumphantly: There is no sex in the Soviet Union."

She was misinformed, however, and according to two international surveys published last year, Russia is one of the most sexually active nations in the world, even if people about it.

Although only one programme

has so far been broadcast, the show caused an instant sensation. Viewers were stunned to hear an "experienced woman" — a working call girl - explain the finer points of oral sex and faking an orgasm, and she warned wives that unless they improved their performance in bed they would lose their husbands to

mistresses or prostitutes. One man, looking sheepishly at his interviewer, confessed that his fantasy was to have sex with a black woman. Other men in the audience nodded in agreement, but were silenced by a young woman, who revealed that she had sex with a black man and it was nothing

iss Hanga admits that the show is an education incredibly sheltered life in Moscow and I did not do anything more daring than kiss my first boyfriend at university," she said. When a guest described how she liked to be amazonka - on top of her partner - the presenter did not know what she was talking about until prompted by her producer who hissed throu th the extraiece: "Don't look so surprised, you're supposed to know what they are talking about." Not

evervone in Russia wants to be educated and the programme has predictably offended die-hard Communists and Russian nationalists, who regard the show as one of the most pernicious examples of Western decadence to invade the Stanislav Govorukhin, the chair-

man of the parliamentary culture committee said that even if the programme was aired late at night to avoid young viewers it could still harm adults. "Not only is the programme in bad taste, but it is vulgar and indecent," said the partiamentary deputy who is also a famous film director. "I could only stomach it for five minutes. There is not a single country in the world which would allow such depravity to be broadcast."

Nevertheless, Miss Hanga remains undaunted. She is already planning the next topics for her programme, including sex after 70.

Vodka deaths: President Yeltsin vowed to combat the producers of moonshine vodka, which kills thousands of Russians each year and deprives the state of sorely needed revenue. Alcohol poisoning has ıncı past five years, Mr Yeltsin

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# Jiang juggles the market with Marxist theory

FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN BEIJING

UNDER a giant golden ham-mer and sickle. China's party Deng Xiaoping Theory is the Marxism of present-day China," he said, "representing chief Jiang Zemin turned vera new stage of the developbal somersaults yesterday as ment of Marxism in China." he explained at the start of the 15th Congress of the Chinese But he said that, in relation to the economy: "the quality and Communist Party how even as efficiency of the national econ-China expanded its free maromy as a whole remain fairly kets and moved away from low, the irrational economic state-run enterprises it remained essentially Marxist. structure still poses a rather outstanding problem, and especially part of the state-In a 50-page report, that took two and a half hours to

read. President Jiang gave a brief nod to Mao Zedong's legacy and pledged continued support for the late Deng Xiaoping's "socialism with Chinese characteristics".

Establishing his Marxist credentials, the Chinese leader said that practice proved that "Deng Xiaoping Theory", a continuation and development.

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to instability, with so many already out of work.

"With the deepening of enterprise reforms, technological process and readjustment of the economic structure, it

would be hard to avoid the flow of personnel and layoffs," he said. The party and Government, he added, would take measures and rely on all quarters of society to show concern for laid-off workers, help them with their welfare, organise job training, and open up new avenues of

The President also announced a massive half million reduction in the armed forces. "In addition to the army reduction by one million men in the 1980s, we shall reduce the armed forces by another 500.000 in the next three years," he said.

Diplomats say that all this is

Diplomats say that all this is going to throw hundreds of thousands of younger men on to the job market, at a time so many other people have already been laid off. "The whole thing is a mammoth gamble," said one Western envoy.



General Augusto Pinochet smiles at his wife Lucía during a mass at the Bernardo O'Higgins military school, Santiago, to mark the 1973 coup which he led against President Allende. General Pinochet, 82, who was President of Chile until 1990, is due to retire in March

### Calcutta security fears over funeral of Mother Teresa

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN CALCUITA

CALCUTTA has been overrun by dignitaries, bureaucrats, camera crews and journalists for today's funeral of Mother Teresa, who died eight days ago. Every hotel and boarding house is packed and the telephone system is groaning under the strain of international calls. Calcutta has never had to cope with anything like it.

anything like it.
Television companies are in fierce competition, although they know the death of Mother Teresa will not attract more than a fraction of those who followed the funeral of Diana, Princess of Wales.

The arrival of so many dignitaries, including Hillary Clinton. John Prescott, the Queen of Jordan and the Duchess of Kent, has stretched the security services to breaking point. The Government has block-booked hundreds of rooms in five-star hotels and sent extra security personnel to look after them. To ensure their safety the dignitaries will travel behind the coffin in vehicles, rather

than on foot.

Last-minute preparations were being made last night at the Netaji indoor sports stadium, where the funeral Mass will be held. A giant altar, 44 ft by 23 ft, has been erected

and 50 priests, including cardinals and bishops, will take

part.
There was confusion last night over who would be allowed into the stadium, which can hold 12,000 people.

Mother Teresa's niece, Agi. is expected to attend. She is believed to be the last surviving close relative of the Albanian-born nun. Nine nuns with whom Mother Teresa founded the Missionaries of Charity nearly 50 years ago will stand behind the coffin on its journey from the stadium to the burial site, along with destitutes and leprosy

The decision to bury Mother Teresa in a room in Mother House, the headquarters of the Missionaries of Charity. continues to draw criticism because it will public access. The decision was taken because of the risk that poor people might try to break her tomb up and sell pieces as souvenirs. There are also fears that right-wing Hindus, some of whom resent the attention given to the Christian nun, might desecrate the grave.

india has declared today a day of state mourning. Flags will be flown at half mast on government buildings.



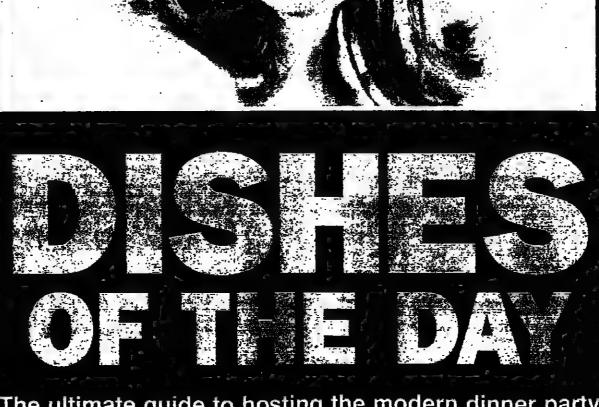
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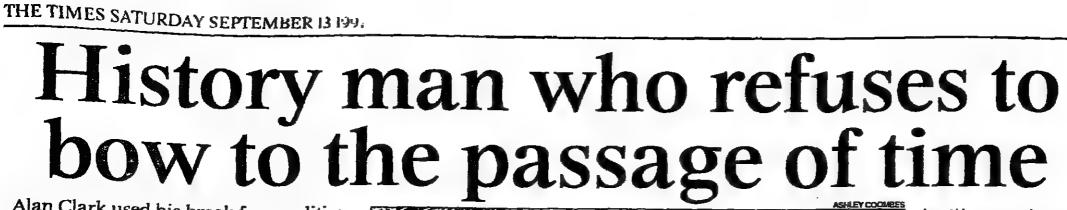
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Alan Clark used his break from politics to write a television history of the Tory party. The result is characteristically

pithy, opinionated and hugely enjoyable

back Alan Clark, Nobody of his resiless energy and egocen-tricity could have stayed in his moated eastle in Kent, despite its beauty and peacocks. We need him here, stirring things up - in politics and on our screens, and locked in legal wrangles, and fending off press interest in a prescient article he wrote in The Speciator four

His subject, under the title Pressed To Death", was the "press corps' body count" of people driven to their death by media intrusion The person they most wanted to hound in this way, he said, "the ultimate trophy", would be Her



Royal Highness, This was altered to Diana. Princess of Wales, rendering the uncanny foresight more specific. But it is a medieval concept, he says, to believe that people who predict things actually make them happen.

"I was just trying to tell people what's going on. The press's motive is to cause pain. It's a blood sport. A We've spoken to the mother of your husband's love-child, have you any comment?' Luckily, Jane is a match for any reporter trying to give her a fright like that, but if she'd blown her brains out they'd have been delighted. Great story!"

He says that the press's hypocrisy, believing it has the right to attack Tory MPs because of family values, is "totally bogus. I have never in my entire life said anything about family values. I have been married all my life to the same person, I have children and grandchildren and more than that I have

nothing to say. The relationship one has with the press." sighs Clark, "is like being in love with a difficult girl. who's beautiful and dangerous and uses your credit card ruthlessly. But if you use photocalls and press conferences to project yourself, you can't call for legislation,"

We were on our way to the Carlton Club, for a screening of his four-part series, Alan Clark's Histone of the Torn Party. He has spent two years making this, interrupted by getting selected and elected in Kensington and Chelsen. It starts on BBC2 tomorrow evening with 1922 and will end with the May 1 defeat, to be aired on the eve of the party conference.

But to the BBC's embarcus sment. its launch coincides with an aerimonious rift between Clark and the corporation. The bone of contention is that one of his beloved rottweilers hit (Clark says "nipped") a BBC cameraman (Clark says provoked by the camera's long lens) and is under sentence of death, "But he carried on filming and refused Jane's offer of first aid. Apparently he had a couple of stitches. Jane is distraught. She adores those dogs, they re frightfully sweet." He calls it sheer spite and vindictiveness. The CPS sent four lawyers down to bolkestone for the hearing. Can you believe in A case that should have been sented by a handshake. I'm afraid it's class war."

He is collecting character testimoniuls for his dogs - named after Hitler's mistress and his test pilot - and says he will never do a broadcast for the BBC again. "I've refused to go on Frost, refused Today countless times. My amour propre will not allow me to carry on with an organisation that's trying to get a pet destroyed. The BBC can stuff themselves."

Few men are more age and looksconscious and as he fumes he looks uncommonly well in his 70th year. "Sometimes I look incredible and sometimes I look cadaverous and exhausted. But at least my hair doesn't blow off in the wind. Nor do I dye it. I sort of toy with keeping these things in reserve for later. Nigel Lawson dyed his hair very early, but I'm a colossal hypochonfrom the dye?" He never even takes an aspirin. "And I don't know about cosmetics. Tony Blair is covered in make-up all the time. so's David Frost."

e offered me a chocolate biscuit; I requested one of the three wheaten ones on his plate. "No, you can't have those, they're mine." This is the secret of his lean figure: he is a vegetarian - he makes an exception only for venison — and consumes huge quantities of carbohydrates, Danish pasiries etc.

Parliament Square as we passed was still awash with flowers. He'd been at Eriboll, his Scottish fastness, pulling up his dinghy on the loch after a fishing trip when he

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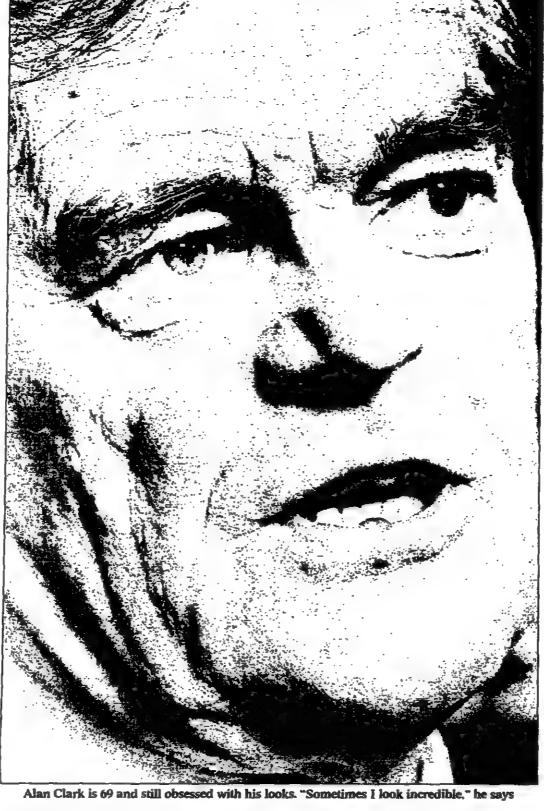
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heard the news of Diana from his daughter-in-law. That evening the preacher at Eriboll church changed their service instantly "and sang a ballad in the Gaelic, very moving". He and Jane spent last Friday night in his office in Parliament Street, to watch the funeral procession. They joined in the applause for Earl Spencer, not just for what he said, but in relief that he'd got through it without breaking down. Elton John made him sub, "and, my God. cun he play the plano".

Tomorrow he will air his views in my customary brutish style" in his News of the World column. "They treat me better than the Mail

on Sunday, who were always fussing and whingeing and put me next to advertisements for male trusses." He has perfected a John Junor-like tabloidese: here he is discussing Robin Cook's recent

'Hats off to Margaret Cook, wife of our Foreign Secretary ... My own wife, Jane, is a most wonderful woman. She has stood by me through thick and thin. But even she didn't go so far as to blame the Labour Party for my behaviour.

"My dear Robin, if it's a 'political' wife you're looking for, you'll never find one as good as Margaret!" (Clark's marital good fortune,

despite his confessional diaries, is legendary. I once watched the incomparable Jane packing her husband's overnight bag, as for a schoolboy son — two shirts, apple. milk, honey sandwich and £30.)

I must admit that I find the parody of his diaries, which Peter Bradshaw writes weekly in the London Evening Standard, absolutely brilliant. But Clark is suing over it. They put his photograph on too of it and he says lots of people think it really is by him.

"I'm not at all litigious, but it's very tiresome. For example, there was a frightfully funny episode that Perer Bradshaw wrote, when Jona-

### came up to Eriboll to hide out. He had Jonathan asking me, over dinner, were there any massage parlours near by? and I said, 'I'm afraid not, but try the farmer's daughter over in Kinlochbervie... and within hours the phones were ringing from Kinlochbervie, out-raged. Well, it's not funny if people

think I wrote it. I've got to stop it." The BBC waxes lyrical about his performance in the new series. Of course he is a natural, with his languid urbanity and the voice he once described as "drawly, queenly, like an old don after lunch". He says the oversimplification domanded by television scriptwriting was "alarming, to an historian, as I am, trained under Robert Blake

and Hugh Trevor-Roper". His father, Lord Clark of Civilisation, never used a script, or needed a second take. "But they always say. That was fantastic. Could you do it again, leaving your hand on the daw handle for just a tiny bit longer? After six takes, the words jumble in your mind and you become fractious. I have every sympathy with the Duchess of York." Luckily the director, Clara Glynn, has beautiful Pre-Raphaelite curis. He didn't think he could have worked with a man.

The result is highly enjoyable, and characteristically pithy about his own party. Standing in patrician pose on a battlement at Saltwood he delivers pronounce ments on the paternalistic old toffs and propertied grandees, haunted by the spectre of the mob. "To be brutal and unsympathetic was not a drawback in the Tory party of the 1930s." (During the screening he leans over and says wasn't it a good idea to use all the old buffers from the 1930s? Next to them he looks a mere lad.) His view is that the Tory Government colluded in the Abdication to rid themselves of the King, "a bloody nuisance ... selfish erratic, impatient of protocol and

prone to leftish enthusiasms". He is still writing the book version of his Tory history. "One paper asked me for 6,000 words on leaze. Well, I'm not the best person to choose to do that. Anyway, it's financial sleaze that's damaging. but what they always mean is sex, as they simultaneously lick their lips and avert their eyes. I've always taken the view that sex i part of everyday life and it is embarrassing to isolate it."

The collapse of the Tories, and Blair's manoeuvring of Labour. leaves a gaping terrain in politics. It is "too soon" to judge young Hague. He thinks there is a spirituality about Tony Blair, even if his delivery of I Curinthians xiii was "pure ham. H-A-M. High-grade doorstep performance." (He also likes Peter Mandelson and has tried to lure him to Saltwood for a weekend.) "I do admire Blair — he's like Schumacher driving with one hand, he'll end upside down in a dirch. But I do regret the way he has monopolised the word 'people', It's totalitarian, potentially sinister, not democratic at all."

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### A personal victory in conflict of modern and medieval

FIRST image a phalanx of officers in gold-and-blue uniforms slowmarching to a drum, Second image. Michael Sheen's Henry V sitting in a briefing room while a projector fills a screen with pie-tures of mud, death and burial at the Somme. Third image: hefty walls of stone, on which the names of the failen are printed, after the manner of the Vietnam memorial in Washington. In its opening moments Ron Daniels's production reads you such a sermon on the awesomeness and awfulness of war that you wonder if there is any point in staging Shakespeare at all. As it turns out, there is plenty. There is some excellent acting to come, not least from Sheen, an actor at last justifying the promise of his Peer Gynt three years ago. Nor does Daniels proceed to use

for itself - and speak pretty well. Mark you, there were times when Daniels's mix of the modern and the medieval did not quite work. A shamefully literal part of me asked why, if the English had camouflaged themselves in khaki flak-jackets, they carried into battle a vast red-and-blue standard plastered with gold lions and

the Bard as a megaphone through

which to condemn the Falklands

campaign or the Gulf War. On the

whole, he allows the play to speak

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fleurs-de-lis? Again, I wondered if it was right for armoured French grandees to go into battle on great silver steeds that, thunks to stilts below the riders, splendidly prance and buck. The point about Agincourt is that a small, weak When the bullets fly round the horses here, you are more likely to be reminded of the German infantry routing the Polish cavalry in the Second World War.

The production is more effective when it sticks to a single era, as it does when a concrete wall covered with wire appears, followed by East End lowlife in the form of Nym. Bardolph and Pistol. With T-shirts they look like a set of motorcycle couriers gone to the bad; but it is the sleazy fun they generate that justifies

There are fine performances from actors in often unnoticed roles, but no one upstages Sheen. After seeing him at the National in a poorish play about the Balkans. buzzing round the stage like a bee on speed, I had begun to fear we Henry is consistently impressive, not least because it counterbalances the production's opening by conceding that war can be an adrenalin that sends the senses soaring.

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# Diana and the pursuit of the millennium

Spirituality isn't in decline - only the

familiar nostrum, that our society

has become irreversibly secular.

now seems hopelessly wide of the

mark. Last week a Leeds University

survey showed that belief in telep-

athy, UFOs and ghosts is growing.

and that more than 17 million

people use alternative therapy. Far

more people believe in reincarna-

tion than go regularly to church.

The ancient quest for the supernat-

ural is being conducted with a new

intensity, even as it has veered

away from well-trodden Christian

But "alternative" religion or sci-ence cannot quite fill the void. I sense a demand for new rituals

which is partly directed at the Church of England. Last Saturday,

for once, the Church seemed to

meet that demand. Yet it cannot

take much of the credit for the

Princess's funeral, whose extraordinary rubries were effectively forced

on it by the people and extended far beyond the Abbey's doors.

to a remarkable degree she personi-

fied this unpredictable public crav-

ing for the numinous, consulting a

clairvoyant one day and lighting

candles in a Greek Orthodox

chapel the next. She communicated

fluently in the new language of

symbols which took shape before our eyes last week, in which

flowers, ribbons and candles transcended their everyday functions and became the tokens of faith.

The relationship that all this

bears to the millennium is complex.

What is certain, however, is that

those inchoate spiritual yearnings

will attach themselves to the great

anniversary, just as demands for

constitutional change are already doing. So it is vital for Christianity

that the churches exploit this oppor-

with ludicrously banal schemes for

marking it. One Anglican bishop is

planning to go to bed and snore his

way through one of the most

powerfully symbolic moments in the history of Christianity: "It's all a

last millennium, and perhaps its

last turn of a century. Yet there may

A few weeks ago, Churches

Together in England announced

that they will be manufacturing 25

million candles to be lit at 11.58pm on December 31, 1999. At the time I

thought it was a silly idea which

wouldn't catch on. Now I'm not so

sure. But it will only work if the churches abandon their colourless

services and lead people where they

want to go: into a new imaginative

landscape of mystery and symbol

to Glaber, the passing of the millennium was marked by the

building of a "white mantle of

churches" across the earth. Some-

thing of that magnitude must

happen this time round. Otherwise

the churches' millennial candles

The author's book The End of

Time: Faith and Fear in the

Shadow of the Millennium

published by Minerva.

will be snuffed out by the wind.

A thousand years ago, according

where time itself is sacred.

be - literally - a flicker of hope.

ith this attitude, it seems

the Church of England's

inevitable that this will be

lot of nonsense," he says.

Diana would have been thrilled:

churches, says Damian Thompson

s the last millennium ap-proached, the population of Europe was alarmed by the sudden deaths of famous people and sought release in unexpected public displays of emotion. The parallel with our own experiences might seem suspiciously neat; in fact, these are among the few things we know for sure about the run-up to the year 1000.

There are many legends about the year 1000. It is not true that on December 31, 999, lords and peasants knelt down in church together to await the returning Jesus, nor that they let loose their oxen to wander through the streets. These surreal scenes drifted out of the overactive imaginations of 16thcentury historians.

Not one contemporary document describes apocalyptic panie, a fact which has led many authorities (especially anti-religious Marxists) to insist that the year 1000 was a meaningless event. Only a few monks knew the date, runs the

argument; therefore no one cared. But this, too, is a fabrication. Medieval men and women may not have orientated themselves by the modern concept of the date, but the millennium of Christ's birth. life and resurrection", a running anniversary which extended from 1000 to 1033, exerted a vice-like grip on their imaginations which they were at a loss to explain. And this is where the analogy with our own day becomes weirdly compelling.

The chronicles of Ralph Glaber. a gossipy 11th-century Burgundian monk, demonstrate that during the late 990s, and again just before 1033, people felt disorientated by events. As the year 1000 neared, he says, "almost the whole world suffered the loss of great men. noble laymen and clerics". A comet hung in the sky. Fires and plagues ravaged Western Europe.

Then, as the millennium of the Resurrection approached, the sequence was repeated. Clustered around both dates, moreover, were strange open-air assemblies in southern France in which ordinary people effectively forced the aristocracy to sign pledges of good behaviour. The Peace of God". Holy banners fluttered as bishops raised their staffs to heaven and the crowd, palms outstretched, shouted: "Peace! Peace!"

A new cult of relics appeared, and miracles abounded. But there was a spooky side to the experience. There were reports of Satan worshippers who sacrificed babies rumours very like the "ritual satanic abuse" scare which recently disfigured our own public life.

What are we to make of this? Is this correspondence between the 990s and the 1990s anything more than a coincidence? Interestingly, the foremost authority on the year 1000, Professor Richard Lanes of Boston University, believes that the connection is both real and profoundly important, and that we should prepare ourselves for the next few years by looking closely at the 1000 and 1033 anniversaries.

Moreover, this approach has acquired a new plausibility in the past two weeks. I don't mean, of course, that the unexpected death of Diana. Princess of Wales, is part of some mysterious re-enactment of the 990s. But the ungovernable popular reaction to it is powerful evidence that Britain is in a state of extreme spiritual suggestibility which owes much to the proximity to a mysterious barrier in time just like 1,000 years ago.

We often hear these days that organised religion in the West is declining fast. That is true: all the statistics bear it out. But another hen Bonnie Prince Char-lie turned back at Derby in 1745, and began the retreat that ended with defeat on Culloden Moor, he left behind a

legacy of self-doubt that has dogged the reputation of the Scots ever since. It is a strange psychosis for a nation of such apparent braggarts. but the evidence is persuasive.

It can be detected in the waste of an industrial empire that had once straddled the world; in Scotland's failure to develop its own enterprise culture; its lukewarm response to the 1979 referendum; its seemingly endless litany of sporting defeats snatched from the jaws of victory.
This has undermined its very

claim to nationhood. In 1927 the poet Hugh MacDiarmid wrote: Scotland is unique among European nations in its failure to develop a nationalist sentiment strong enough to be a vital factor in its affairs." The occasional flexing of political muscle in by-elections never seemed to come to much. Successive governments questioned whether Scottish voters were serious about wanting political change. Even the veteran Jim Sillars dismissed the Scots as "90minute Nationalists".

Thus it was that some of us who went along to the referendum count Scotland the brave surprises itself

in Edinburgh's soulless Conference with nearly 80-20 on the first chanting and punching the air. Centre on Thursday night did so with the kind of sick feeling that foreshadows humiliation. For at least an hour before the first result we swapped doleful rumours. The turnout had dropped below 40 per cent, someone said. A teller had turned in a ballot box in Aberdeen with less than a handful of completed forms. The Second Question, on

tax, was definitely lost. And then, something remarkable happened. We surprised ourselves. At 12.30am, tiny Clackmannanshire turned in a massive, thumping "yes" majority on both questions with a solid 66 per cent turnout. Quickly we explained why this had to be a freak result: the SNP had put in a special team there; Donald Dewar himself warned us not to build hopes on it. But then came South Lanarkshire,

question and 67-32 on the second. We began to realise that this was becoming a trend. Around the hall. an almost palpable sense of relief began to turn into something else. It was pride.

We had bucked the trend, we had kicked a couple of centuries of Derby retreats into touch, we had demonstrated faith in ourselves. It is hard to describe the atmosphere. There should have been joy. But in that alcohol-free hall, built for conferences of optometrists and lepidopterists, even loud applause sounded inappropriate. So instead we clapped politely. Falkirk 30 per cent - clap-clap-clap. Glasgow 83

per cent — clap-clap-clap.
Only towards the end, as dawn broke and we began to absorb the enormity of what had happened, we start to behave badly.

What, in the end, were we applauding? It was, I think, a sense that we had done something with conviction. What is more, we had done it without conflict and bitterness. In that hall were Nationalists, Conservatives, supporters of "yes, yes", "no. no". "yes, no", and even the odd "no. yes". Yet it was all good-humoured. Earlier, a photog-rapher from Northern Ireland, who had spent all day in Edinburgh, said how amazed he had been to have visited pubs where

never fell out," he said. So perhaps, too, we had discov ered a greater sense of unity amongst ourselves than we had possible. Certainly the

opinions were deeply divided be-tween "no" and "yes", but where

there was no sign of rancour. "They

The referendum revealed a nation abandoning its habitual self-doubt, says Magnus Linklater sworn enemies with a history of bitterness - embracing the same cause, prompted optimism. It cannot last, nor should one expect it to. These, after all, are political opponents. Yet there will be some constraints on their behaviour.

This parliament has been chosen by a large majority of Scottish voters who know exactly what they have done. They may not fully understand all the consequences of their actions, but they have high expectations of this new animal, and they will not thank any party which deliberately sets out to harm it. There is a long time to go before a new parliament meets - three years, perhaps, of heated debate, a long and detailed Bill, and warnings of impending disaster. If any Scottish party, Tory or Nationalist, is seen to be undermining it in advance, it risks incurring the wrath of a Scots majority who just now are relishing a sense of something akin to national virtue.

That will not be quickly forgiven. In his 1927 text, Hugh MacDiarmid added: "It must be recognised that the absence of nationalism is, paradoxically, a form of Scottish self-determination." That sounds suspiciously like John Smith's "settled will of the Scottish people". Maybe we have found it at last.

# The art of sensationalism

The Royal Academy's new exhibition

shows why artists need censors

alking one afternoon in the gardens at Teplice, Beethoven and Goethe saw members of the Austrian royal family coming towards them. Beethoven grabbed Goethe by the arm and told him to keeping moving straight ahead. Goethe refused. stepping aside and bowing. Beethoven walked on, forcing the royal group to part. Art, he told Goethe afterwards, should not defer to royalty. These people "must be taught to respect what they cannot make". To Beethoven the State was mortal, the artist God.

tunity. Unfortunately, they show few signs of doing so. For the past The Royal Academy in London is 30 years, Anglicans, Catholics and of the Beethoven persuasion. Its Nonconformists have offered the ruling council of artists regard opposite of last Saturday's funeral: themselves as a uniquely privileged profession. They are not so much drab, formulaic and ugly liturgies in which the mystery and beauty of holiness are sidelined. kings as anarchs. The artist has achieved the status once claimed by This lack of imagination extends trade unions, of autonomy from overnments and institutions, from to the millennium. Most leading churchmen have either played the rules of profit and loss, from the down its significance or come up personal feelings of the public.

On Thursday afternoon, the council of the Academy decided to wall space to

the 35-year-old police mugshot of Myra Hindley, refashioned from the handprints of a child. The hackneyed message is to remind us of what this woman did and of "the

horror of child abuse". This presumably validates art's role in society, art's political potency, art's ability to lay bare our ambivalence towards issues relating to the modern environment . . . in other words the usual rubbish. Myra is going on show despite protests from a victim's family, from Hindley herself and from many Academicians. Art is more important than all that. Besides, if other media can be tasteless about Hindley, why not the RA? We live

in a down-market age. Just now, we might expect everyone to respect those objecting to the exploitation of their personal feelings. I would extend that respect even to Hindley herself. She may incur little sympathy but is now a blarant victim of lynch law. She has served 32 years in prison, longer than any other woman, because of a tabloid campaign against her judicial right to parole. That campaign is fashioned round the same horror picture of her aged 23, now

ghoulishly reworked at the Academy. Showing this picture is an accessory to the anti-Hindley campaign and to an injustice.

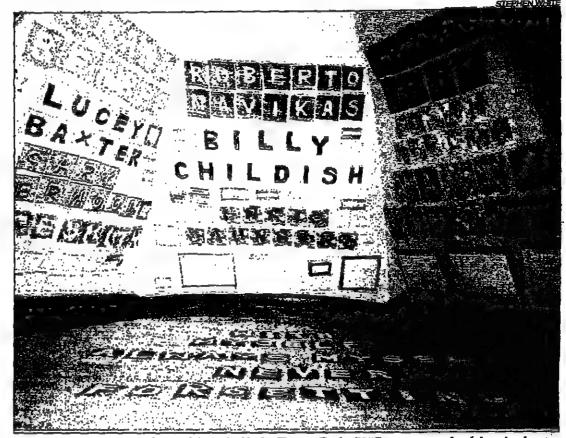
Sensationalism. as every journalist knows, is good for sales but is rarely harmless fun. Some artist might claim a moral "sensation" by displaying a montage of so-called "known child abusers" at the Academy - without a care for civil rights. I am sure an artist could demand the Academy show a collage of paparazzi pictures of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, to "heighten public awareness of the violence of fame".

Modern curators, terrified of being thought "off message", claim that their duty is merely to display art, not to judge it. The Sun and the Daily Mail could take the same negligent view in exploiting images of the Princess. The pictures exist. A newspaper is a sort of popular art gallery. A newspaper should not be censor of what others should or should not see. We are all editors and thus

censors. We must choose to publicise, choose to include and choose to exclude. If gallery curators abandon critical judgment, they will let the builies of fashion be the censors. How can anyone distinguish between a

good or bad Damien Hirst? Van Gogh famously wrote of his garbage dump: "My God, it was beautiful." But he portrayed garbage through the medium of his art. This exhibition (or most of it) takes garbage and, like the Dadaists, puts it in a museum. Art is merely a custodial function, an act of redefinition. The artist is a wordsmith

The Royal Academy exhibition, Sensation, including the Hindley picture, will open next week to an orgy of publicity, largely for Hirst's smelly entrails, formaldehyde and plonking "messages". The exhibition is from the collection of Charles Saatchi, and is by young. mostly unknown British artists. The works seem fixated with dissection, genitalia and violence. I cannot judge their quality, only their power to turn my stomach. Walking round I had an uncomfortable feeling that I was not to be a judge but was to be judged, like a Foreign Office candidate being



Everyone I Have Ever Stept With 1903-1995 by Tracey Emin (1995) sets out to shock by a tent interior the names of her mother, her lovers - male and female - and her aborted foetuses

man enough, young enough, trendy enough to like this stuff? The stuff is mostly the usual mutilations, deformities, sex organs and banalities of the Adrian Mole school of sculpture. The

catalogue clothes them in the pretension now obligatory for event art. They are "grizzly gothic maca-bre" or "post-colonial neo-Victorian" or "a democracy of material and meaning". If medicine or law described its work in the gibberish used by artists, half Britain would be dead or in jail.

Beethoven's royal admirers respected him as an artist because they believed he wrote good music. The Academy throws down a different challenge: to admire Mr Saatchi's taste, not because anyone can tell a good dead sheep from a bad one, but because Mr Saatchi says Mr Hirst is a good dead-sheep artist. He has sanchfied objects and their finders or creators by the act of his patronage.

Tom Stoppard's Travesties satirised the Zurich Dadaists in terms that would apply well to the Academy show. "A man may be an artist." says one of Stoppard's characters, "by exhibiting his hind-quarters, or a poer by drawing words out of a hat." He is a

bound aircraft was full - and Air

Italia refused to turf anyone off,

Poor Berisha was forced to fly

standby via Bucharest, without so

much as an onion bhail to munch

• REVENGE at last. The Tories

are taking on Labour at cricket this

weekend in the Express Challenge

· and are reckoned to be

fuvourites. Chief Tory weapon is

David Faber, with his languid cov-

er drives. But the Labour team,

drawn mainly from No 10, is typi-

cally confident of win. Boasts one:

"We'll smash them round the park

just like the election."

through a long night in steerage.

watched eating cherries. Was I schoolboy with a sick-chit from matron, excusing him from normal life "to be ungrateful, hostile, selfcentred and talentless". "This chit the hero Carr finally shouts, WHERE DID YOU GET IT?" The answer is from Mr Saatchi at the Royal Academy.

> The Academy show is allchitted. It is guaranteed as art under the Beethoven convention. I recall the Institute of Contemporary Art in London being presented with a pile of dirty baby's nappies and a striptease act, both by women who claimed that they were "artists". They were duly admitted to gallery space. The sacred word Art had been uttered. The women were like shamans. The holy sign had been made and nobody dared call their bluff. I am sure Tracey Emin had fun filling her tent with the names of her sexual partners. But Mr Saatchi has put it in the Royal Academy, entitled, Everyone i Have Ever Slept With 1963-1995, appliqued tent, mattress, light, 122 x 245

x 214 cm." I used to think that Mr Saatchi was victim of what Tom Wolfe called the great art con. Now I am more careful. Mr Saatchi is spending his own money and nobody

else's. Rather than hand his cash over to a public gallery to buy what its curators please, he is backing his own taste and artists of his own choosing. As Lisa Jardine argues in a catalogue essay, such Medician enterprise is a vital strand of patronage, preferable to that of public gallery patronage. Better Mr Saatchi's costly excursions into the infantile fantasies of his friends than no costly excursions at all. And the Academy show has, I must

admit, tremendous panache. It is the content, not the form that is depressing. At the end of his survey of 20th-century art, The Shock of the New, Robert Hughes wrote gloomily of the "scepticism and dread" with which he viewed the end of the century. How could we compare the works of Cezanne and Seurat in 1900 with today's experimental art? Where were the artists in the wings, "testing the imaginative visions that will enable them to transcend the stagnant orthodoxies of their time"?

I assume the Academy and Mr Saatchi believe they have found the answer, in young people eager to tear at the Establishment's genitalia and kick over the cultural applecart. After seeing this show, I have become rather keen on applecarts.

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# Blue water

BUCKET in hand, queueing at a tap, stood the Leader of the Opposition, Every morning for the past week Wee Willie Hague has been forced to pad down the street as the water supply of the block of flats he shares with numerous MPs has been contaminated by diesel

Residents of Dolphin Square, a shabby Westminister block, are not happy. "A week ago we received a letter from the maintenance office saving the water had been seriously contaminated," says a grumpy resident. "We can't even brush our teeth." It appears that diesel stored

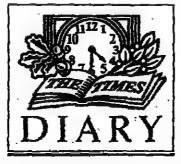
in a container tank on the premises leaked out and contaminated the water supply's wellhead,

The block has had a difficult time of late. Princess Anne sold her piedd-terre there describing the area as "totally naff", while Ian Mills, MP. was found dead there surrounded by empty bottles.

Dwellers, who include more MPs than the Commons chamber during a confidence debate, are forced to queue for water contained in large temporary blue tanks. positioned in the street by Thames Water. Wee Willie, as you would expect, looks as dignified as ever.



"No! I refuse to carry pictures of the Royal Family"



• WITH timing like Wee Willie's all we need do is sit and watch him do to his career what Mellors did to Lady Chatterley. Following a week of fierce devolution debate, the Leader of the Opposition is to astend the most nationalistic event on the English calendar - tonight's Last Night of the Proms. This should go down well with the sons of Owen Glendower.

### Ice breaker

GATECRASHERS are normally teenagers, brimming with excess testosterone, rather than former ministers. But when the former minister is Steven Norris and the party is bouncing with "It" girls, rules are broken. "I was just passing and sort of drifted in." explained the former Transport Minister, remembered for his energetic nocturnal activities. The party

was thrown by Lord Lewisham, whose erstwhile girlfriend Julia Stephenson, thirtysomething "It" queen, has written an "It" girl bible, Pandora's Diamonds. The book guides svelte young lovelies through pressing problems such as feng shui (how to align your Conran solas for eternal prosperity) and the desperate need for an environmental version of Harpers & Queen. Norris still seemed happy: "I've only just met Julia, but she is absolutely divine. I will take Pandora's Diamonds to bed. me.

• LABOUR MPs really have gone off-message. Alastair Campbell, chief spin-doctor, issued his MPs with pagers to make sure they were all spouting the same line. But in the long recess, gremlins have set in. MPs, who normally quiver when their pagers bleep, are now used to receiving messages which summon them to "the Wheps Office", while one Member received the urgent bleep "Up the Hammers".

### **Aunt Sali**

THE indignities of life after office. The former President of Albania. Sali Berisha - once hailed by the West for banishing communism from that gloomy outpost - has been turled off an Air Italia iet. Possibly the most celebrated Al-

banian after Mother Teresa, he

Stephenson: diamond queen

### was journeying to Calcutta to at-tend the great woman's funeral. But when he arrived in Rome from Dutch elm Albania on Thursday, the India-

ROYAL support for the Prince of Wales's habit of talking to trees comes from Princess Irene of the Netherlands. "People who talk to trees are often viewed with suspicion," she says. "Even more so if they claim that the trees talk back and help them." The Princess, sister of Queen Beatrix and ex-wife of Prince Carlos of Spain, has just written a book on the subject. She has spent the last few years in "personal development workshops

• SO MUCH for Scottish unity. James Naughtie, Today's Scottish presenter, let slip on air yesterday: "I would rather be governed from London than Glasgow,"

### **Dirty Linen**

CLINT EASTWOOD is about to go into the rag trade. The man who brought us leather chaps, the Magnum and five o'clock shadow is to start his own designer clothes label. called Tehama for Clint.

For a man who spent his early days astride dusty horses, Dirty Harry has proved to be an astute businessman. Recent ventures include a golf course in Monterey, another in his home town of Carmel. California, and a beer. Pale



Eastwood: new style-setter

Rider. His foray into fashion follows that of the basketball player. Michael Jordan, who launched a designer label last month.

Oddly, stetsons and cowboy boots will not be included. "It is a whole gamut of clothing that coordinates polo shirts, sweaters. vests," a business partner explains. The range has a 1940s feel - a style of sophistication and good fiv-ing, in the upper-middle price range, that emulates Clint." Hmm. But we want some ponchos.

Fears over rebirth

of Crystal Palace

Sir. You report ("A touch of glass for

the millennium". September 8) that

planning permission is expected for a

modern Crystal Palace later this month. Not so, The Secretary of State

for the Environment has forbidden

Bromley Council from deciding the

application until he has considered

whether to hold a public inquiry and make the decision himself. He is right

The plans involve saddling Crystal

Palace Park, the most important

green open space in southeast London, with a 20-screen, 4,000-seat, mul-

tiplex cinema, with nine restaurants.

probably a bowling alley, and park-

ing for 1,100 cars on the roof. This

hard commercial use will sit at the

highest point of the park, urbanising

The developers intend to drive a

road through the park, which is both Grade II' listed and a conservation

area. The site is also metropolitan

open land, protected by the Govern-

ment's strategic guidance for London,

Land of this importance should not be used

for developments which compromise its open character and value to London's green

all but nine of the 600 attending voted

to condemn the proposals. A petition

has been signed by 5,000 local people.

Croydon and Southwark councils,

which also abut the park, have for-

mally objected to the scheme. English

which would cause "unacceptable en-

Bromley Council is in a position of

conflict, as vendor of the land, promo-

ter of the scheme and adjudicating

may be properly debated.

2-3 Gray's Inn Square, WCI.

From Mr Mathew Frith

Yours faithfully,

P. A. KOLVIN

September 8.

vironmental harm within the park".

it and dominating its setting.

From Mr Philip Kolvin

to do so.

MATHEW FRITH (Conservation manager), London Wildlife Trust, 80 York Way, NI.

### Facing both ways? From Mr Christopher Montgomery

Sir. Are Madeleine Albright, who has suspended the extradition of convicted IRA terrorists to Britain in order to "advance the peace process" (report, later editions, September 11), and the US Secretary of State who is currently in the Middle East instructing the Palestinians to crack down on terrorism (report, September 11) by any chance

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER MONTGOMERY, 106 Horseferry Road, SWI. September 11.

### Poor understanding

Sir, Diana Mosley tells us ("The Mit-fords at home", Weekend, September

the same understanding of the word "poor" that her husband had of the word "democracy"?

Yours faithfully, BARRY HYMAN. 4 Priory View, Bushey Heath, Hertfordshire. barry@booshie.demon.co.uk

Sir. Although a Liberal at heart, after reading all the recent correspondence

Yours faithfully. FRED COSSTICK Silverdale Road, Eastbourne, Sussex.



### WHILE ENGLAND SLEPT

The United Kingdom must now adjust to devolution

Scotland has spoken and with a roar, not a reform is secure but the details demand whisper. The rest of the country must now consider the consequences. Although the campaign itself was artificially truncated, the arguments have been rehearsed to exhaustion north of the border. Elements of the Labour leadership might have secretly hoped that the two-question referendum would produce a taxless and hence toothless assembly. If so, they will be disappointed. The margin of the majority means that the future parliament has the mandate and moral authority to use its power.

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The scale of the "yes-yes" campaign's triumph will have surprised almost all commentators in England. Throughout the last 15 years opinion polls in Scotland have suggested a solid three to one support for change. But it was widely assumed - by all parties - that those numbers reflected public contempt for the Conservatives rather than positive enthusiasm for constitutional innovation. It was thought that Labour's assumption of office in London would tame Scottish sentiment. Such calculations have been proved speciacularly inaccurate.

The Tories, in particular, should learn a lot from this outcome. The tone of their opposition was peculiarly unconservative. Their case was bused almost exclusively on legitimate but contestable claims of the adverse economic consequences. They ceded the entire terrain of national identity and local sovereignty to their opponents. No alternative to devolution other than the status quo was ever offered. This was hardly the stance that they would take in the event of a plebiscite on a single currency during the course of this Parliament. The party of subsidiarity within the European Union has not well explained why the principle should not be applied within Britain.

The White Paper has been blessed at the ballot box but it must be made much more workable. That in turn requires enhanced, rather than nominal, scrutiny for the final legislation. This is essential not to erode but to entrench the settled will of the Scottish electorate. The principle of fundamental

rigorous examination. All of this should be done in the most constructive of spirits.

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There is the danger of the devolutionists adopting a triumphalist approach in both Cabinet and Parliament. After a struggle lasting two decades it might be tempting for those who have fought their corner so long and with such passionate to want to push legislation through Parliament as quickly as possible. An already enfeebled opposition now looks emasculated. But that approach would invite the friction and factionalism that Labour has so far avoided.

Two outstanding matters invite further modification. The Scots have settled the Westminster question but not the West Lothian one. The issue of Scotland's future representation in London is still surrounded by ambiguity. It needs to be dealt with in the next few months, not deferred to some later boundary commission in the year 2007. The funding formula, although complex, cannot continue to be wrapped in waffle either. It is in the best interests of all sides that both Parliaments understand their financial relationship from the outset. The Government might well be inclined to avoid all these complications, not least to preserve its "no new taxes" promise. If so, the disputes will be all the more intense afterwards.

The White Paper does not simply list those functions delegated to Edinburgh but instead outlines those that will remain with Westminster. It is thus a blueprint for the entire United Kingdom. The British, or at least the English, have historically been reluctant to place in statute the allocation of political powers. The legislation that the House of Commons will consider is as close to a constitutional text as our system is likely to deliver. It will be the most important Bill of its form since the Parliament Act of 1911. Until Thursday it might have been possible for the rest of the country to treat devolution as an exclusively Scottish issue. That time has passed. The will of the people is indeed the supreme law. The role of Parliament,

### A HUMAN MEMORIAL

A national mood that can be harnessed for the good

The intense phase of mourning may be over, scopie who watched her funeral, thronged the route, signed books of condolence and still flock to Kensington Gardens share an inchoate desire to reflect in their own lives the values which the Princess prized in hers. If some of her idealism could be harnessed, it could create the most fitting human

memorial to the life of Diana. The Prime Minister should launch a national crusade to persuade as many individuals and businesses as possible to translate that conscience into action. Everyone should be encouraged to give up just a little of their time and energy to voluntary work. It could be helping an aged neighbour, offering time to a charitable organisation, or building something new in Diana's

The projects should have a deadline: openended commitments could deter people from participating. The most natural end-date is the millennium, though if people and businesses found their voluntary work rewarding they might want to continue it. By the year 2000, if a substantial proportion of the population joined in, all over the country. gardens, playgrounds, bicyle paths and clubs could have sprung up, dedicated to the

The overarching organisation could be the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund. which has already raised hundreds of millions of pounds in less than a formight. It could compile lists of organisations seeking volunteers, put people in touch with projects. and encourage local initiatives with

seedcorn money and business expertise. but the nation is still haunted by the death of Businesses should respond by lending Diana, Princess of Wales. The millions of employees, donating materials and offering free services.

though, has rarely been more important.

Much of the work would be person-toperson: perhaps going into a school to help children with their reading, delivering meals on wheels, becoming a mentor to a disaffected teenager or setting up a Saturday football club. But some of the projects could be physical too: a piece of wasteland turned into a garden, a co-operative shop opened on a housing estate staffed by volunteers, or a pond dredged. People would decide for themselves what would make their locality better, and join together to make it happen. The Fund would simply offer its imprimatur and act as a co-ordinator where necessary.

By the end of the century, it could collate an enormous record of the activities undertaken in Diana's name. Some of the projects would continue as a lasting memorial, others would remain only in the hearts and memories of those who helped and those who were helped.

This is a crusade that would be easy for Tony Blair to start. The scheme exemplifies the values which he wants to project: working together for the common good, caring for the less fortunate, and matching rights with responsibilities. But the effort should nonetheless be non-partisan and inclusive, corralling as many influential people as possible, from pop stars to princes. to lend support to the cause. Its only enemies are apathy and cynicism: but these are two traits that seem miraculously to have declined within the nation's psyche in the past two weeks.

### **DIPLOMATIC INCIDENT**

Open government arrives at the Foreign Office

A nuclear bunker, Oxford prison, town halls swing, more than 800 selected students and courts of justice will this weekend throw open their doors so that a curious public can gawp at the splendours of municipal architecture and admire the heritage of buildings normally seen only by their inmates and those citizens caught up in the wheels of the State. Access to these unusual tourist sites has been granted under the Heritage Open Days scheme, organised by the Civic Trust. It believes that Britons are enriched by seeing how pumping stations work, what is stored in First World War forts and the table

talk of an RAF officers' mess. This weekend the sites out of London are on display. Next weekend it is the turn of the capital, and the glories of Whitehall will be revealed to those who tire of the normal tourist fare. Some buildings are undeniably dingy: the Treasury, squatting dourly on the corner of Parliament Square, hardly glisters with the gold that taxpayers assume it contains. Yet just across the road the Foreign Office, newly resplendent in an awardwinning restoration to Victorian grandeur. offers visitors one of the most imposing views of how the confidence of a century ago manifested itself in imposing staircases, gilt

capitals and star-spangled ceilings. The Foreign Office has also decided to put on display not only its architectural treasures, but the mandarins who inhabit it. On Friday, when normal diplomacy is in full

community leaders and careers officers will be invited to traipse down the hallowed corridors and see for themselves how Britain keeps in touch with the world. Here, perhaps, they can see diplomats drafting a demarche, there an ambassador being carpeted. They can question first secretaries poring over telegrams, watch consuls negotiate the escape of Britons stranded in hostile territory, peep through keyholes at cipher clerks sending coded instructions to Our Man in Havana.

The aim of such irreverent spying on the nerve-centre of Britain's global reach is to inspire an enthusiasm for the exciting world of diplomacy. Despite all the television documentaries, the fly-on-the wall view of our consul's tribulation in Palma de Majorca, there is an assumption beyond Whitehall that the Foreign Office is all canapés and small talk, exegesis of treaty texts and plotting the diplomatic stiletto. Too few women and far too few young people from ethnic minorities are taking to the life of an embassy chancery. The message is that it has all changed now. Today's diplomats need to know more about management consultancy than the polished French phrases of the Vienna Convention. For many, the Open Day will be a let down: no pinstripes, no plumed helmets and no gunboats. Palmerston would doubtless be horrified.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### Repercussions of devolution choice

From Mr M. C. Fitzpatrick

Sir, Simon Jenkins ("Scotland's tax time bomb", September 10) rightly points out that a Soutish parliament would have the power to raise significant extra amounts of revenue via local taxation — principally the busi-ness rate, council tax and any other local taxes that seemed appropriate. Now that the "yes, yes" result in the referendum is likely to give a Scottish parliament the power to raise the basic rate of income tax by up to 3p in the pound as well, it is clear that it could, if so wished, increase the tax raised from Scotland by several billion pounds per annum. Unfortunately for Scotland, England is likely to

receive the benefit of this revenue. Our company calculates that, even after allocating for this purpose all the North Sea oil tax revenue to Scotland, the fiscal subsidy given by Westminster to Scotland is around \$2.8 billion per annum. Our calculations are based on the latest year for which Treasury figures are available, 1994-95; the subsidy represents the excess of net public expenditure in Scotland, as

compared with tax raised in Scotland, It is very unlikely that the English predominance at Westminster will be prepared to tolerate this subsidy once Scotland has its own parliament. Accordingly, it seems likely that it will be progressively withdrawn over (say) a live-year period, on the grounds that the Scuttish parliament can now raise its own revenue and does not need a subsidy.

Assuming that the subsidy was withdrawn in equal instalments, the money generated by the end of that period would be sufficient to cut the basic rate of income tax by almost 2p in the pound.

No one seems to have explained to the Scottish electorate that the likely result of a "yes, yes" vote would be to progressively diminish the fiscal subsidy currently enjoyed by Scotland, but it appears inevitable that the English majority at Westminster will now ensure that this happens.

Yours faithfully, M. C. FTTZPATRICK (Head of Economics), Chantrey Vellacott, (Chartered accountants), 10-12 Russell Square, WCl. September 12

From Mr I. Howard Wright

the Westminster Government about £1.26 per head for every £1 it spends per head in England. Does Simon Jenkins imagine that if we Scors also paid a lower income tax there would be no complaint from the English?

Yours faithfully, I. HOWARD WRIGHT, Flat 23. 39 Blackford Avenue, Edinburgh 9. September 12.

From Mr Adam Ogilvie-Smith

Sir, A Scot from Edinburgh, I moved south 17 years ago. Since then I have been an "Anglo-Scot". But now I am a

Yours faithfully, ADAM OGILVIE-SMITH. Hyde House, Pinewoods Road, Longworth, Oxfordshire. September 12.

From Mr Robert Theobald

Sir, Whatever may be the pros and cons of Scottish and Welsh devolution, pro-European Union politicians will relish any dissent between the constituent countries of the United Kingdom. For them the nation state is an irrelevance in a future Europe of regions, where all the national parliaments will be "parish councils".

Divide and rule. Yours faithfully. ROBERT THEOBALD, 127 Bushmead Road, Luton, Bedfordshire. silvia@theobald.powernet.co.uk

September 12. From Mr Colin Spikesley Sir. Will this mean that we can keep English and Welsh summer time this

Yours faithfully, COLIN SPIKESLEY, White Lodge, Wilstead, Bedford. cspike@online.rednet.co.uk September 12

From Professor I. Barclay Sir. Now that the Scots nationalists have achieved their aims, can we look forward to English nationalists demanding an English parliament with wall-raising powers?

Yours sincerely. IAN BARCLAY 34 Savile Road. Lindley, Huddersfield, West Yorkshire, England. September 12.

From Professor Peter Fawcett Sir, May we now expect Chris Smith to restore our border castles?

Yours sincerely, A. PETER FAWCETT, 78 Park Road, Chilwell, Nottingham, September 12

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e-mail to: letters@the-times.co.uk

### Compassion and royal patronage

From Mr Alfred Morris

Sir, A word may be in order to redress any impression that the Prince of Wales does little of note to help those in special need. Nothing could be further from reality. His good works among deprived, not least disabled people are legion.

The British Polio Fellowship or SANE, to name just two of the very many organisations he has generously supported, would testify to his quier, always well informed and intensely practical concern for the problems and needs of the hard-pressed people they exist to help.

At a recent occasion he hosted at Highgrove for the British Polio Fellowship, his instinctive rapport with some of Britain's most severely disabled people was immediately obvious to everyone there; but I saw or heard not one wilable in the media about a memorably moving occasion. And sadly, kindliness that is unseen

and unheard is usually also unsung. Yours faithfully. ALFRED MORRIS (Minister for Disabled People, 1974-79) 20 Hitherwood Drive, SE19.

From Miss Rosina Buckland

Sir, The tragic death of Diana, Prin-cess of Wales, has been made even worse by the unfair criticism and hurtful speculation which has followed it. Some members of the public acted like the paparazzi whom they criticise — insisting on seeing an aspect of the Royal Family's life, their grief, that should be allowed to remain private.

I am also sad to see that this tragedy has exacerbated a tendency in Britain to be fatalistic about the state of the country. We are certainly changing as ways will. But why is it always assumed this is for the worse? Britain's reputation abroad has, according to a BBC survey this week, never been worse, but maybe it would help if we added constructive criticism and a more positive outlook to the fine traditions we

a nation, as we always have and al-

ROSINA BUCKLAND, 1-5-25-306 Hishiya-higashi, Higashi-Osaka, Japan. buckland@rexind.co.jp September 10.

already have.

From the Reverend Paul Ingleshy

Sir. The country has travelled far since 1936, when I seem to have read some maxims of George V, including: If I am called upon to suffer let me be like a well-bred animal and do so alone and in silence": and "Learn to distinguish between sentiment and sentimentality".

PAUL INGLESBY, 1 Curioad, Stoke St Gregory. Taunion, Somerset.

From Mr Adam Dinham

Sir, I share Mr Blair's hope that Diana's legacy will be "a better, more compassionate Britain". By this token, may the nation continue to remember the needy, and to support the work of all of Britain's charities, large and small, in calmer times as well as in the midst of tragedy.

Yours sincerely ADAM DINHAM (Charity co-ordinator). University Information Consultation Service. Grove Mews, 42 The Grove, W5.

Sir. Rightly or wrongly it has become

the norm to call for action following a

high-profile murder or tragedy. We

now have no dangerous dogs, the only

handguns are illegal ones and foxes

may soon only be hunted with cars.

Why are the press not calling for an

instant legal ban on newspapers pay-ing for intrusive pictures?

Or perhaps they are saving their

strength for a go at the big one — a

Sir. Tony Hall, the chief executive of

BBC News, could not be more wrong

in my view in believing the lesson the

BBC must learn from the death of

Diana, Princess of Wales, is to "let the

people speak" (article, Media, Sept-

ember 10). Opening the airwaves to

the person on the street was a big mis-

take, no doubt forced by gaping holes

in the blanket coverage, which led to the public airing of some very dis-tasteful and ill-informed comments.

These were not the voices of "ordi-

nary individuals as Mr Hall sug-

gests, but of those who felt sufficiently driven to hold vigils outside the pal-

l Hillside. Salisbury, Wiltshire.

'News not views'

From Mr Mark Marsh

### Press inaction

ban on hypocrisy.

Yours faithfully, TREVOR WILLIAMS,

September II.

From Mr T. C. Williams

Althorp memories From Lady Anne Wake-Walker

Sir, The island in the middle of the lake at Althorp, always known to the family as the Round Oval, is a lovely resting place for Diana.

As children years ago, her father (my brother) and I had a wonderful time boating on the Round Oval in the summer and skating on it in the winter and it was always a special treat to be allowed to land on the

The lake is overlooked by the summer house from Admiralty House

used by Lord Neison. The beautiful Spencer Chapel in Great Brington Church was lovingly restored by my father, Jack Spencer, after the war and returned by him to

its present glory.

I would have been entirely happy with either choice for Diana.

Yours faithfully ANNE WAKE-WALKER. East Bergholt Lodge, Suffolk. September 8

### Crime and punishment

Sir, A couple of Slovak women on a Princess Diana pilgrimage pick a few scruffy teddy bears to take home as souvenirs (report, September 12). A passer-by turns them over to the po-lice, who charge them with theft. A magistrate sentences them to a month in jail. A judge frees them on appeal. All that at the British taxpayers' expense. The story becomes a major

is the Diana syndrome making this great nation go barmy? Yours faithfully BENJAMIN KURAS. 80 Park Avenue North, Willesden Green, NW10. September 12.

### From Mr Benjamin Kuras

### aces and queue all night in The Mall. The resultant "story" was about as objective as an opinion poll taken at a party conference. As a novice press officer. I was once advised to focus on "news not views".

It's a piece of advice I wish the BBC had followed last week. Yours etc. MARK MARSH, 5 Columbus Square, Erith, Kent. mark@mjpm.demon.co.uk

### Mother Teresa in a true perspective

From Mr Colin Harte

Sir. In my opinion, Mother Teresa (letters, September 9) is the woman of the century. Perhaps, in time, a biography of her will be written by someone who has an understanding of what it is to seek to love God with all one's heart, mind and soul; who understands the love due to every human being — whether poor, dying, unborn, royal, lonely or in prison because each is made in God's image and of infinite value; who knows what it means to be a nun for 70 years, 50 of which were spent not simply working with the poor but sharing their poverty.

Such a biographer would recognise the inappropriateness of a jaundiced and controversial account of Mother Teresa's life. It is to be regretted that the present biographer lextracts Sept-ember 9-11) fails to understand what lies "beyond the image".

Yours faithfully, COLIN HARTE, 35 Stileham Bank Milborne St Andrew, Dorset. September II.

From Dr Rudrangshu Mukherjee Sir, Your report, "Press casts doubts over legend of Mother Teresa"

(September 8), states that The Telegraph, normally gushing in its adulation of Mother Teresa", published on the day after her death "an acerbic feature article raising issues which would have been almost unthinkable to raise before.

The article is described as "unprece-

dented vitriol". But this is not the first time The Telegraph has carried adverse comment on Mother Teresa. On February I there was an article ("Halo goodbye") on the editorial page, and on April 19, 1996, a review of Christopher Hitchens's book The Missionary Position, both of which were critical of her. As is obvious, both appeared before her death.

The Telegraph acknowledges the work done by Mother Teresa but sees no reason to shy away from expressing different views and provoking discussion. This is not exactly unknown in journalism.

Yours faithfully, RUDRANGSHU MUKHERJEE (Editor, editorial pages), The Telegraph, 6 Prafulla Sarkar Street. Calcutta 700 001, India. the\_telegraph\_india@newscom.com

From Mrs Sharla Race

Sir, Anne Sebba states that "Mother Teresa really has not changed anything in Calcuma" (Valerie Grove interview, September 8). What non-

I do not believe she was perfect and I did not agree with all her views but as a volunteer bureau organiser I know she changed more lives in Calcutta, India and the rest of the world than we shall ever know.

SHARLA RACE, 14 Zetland Terrace. Saltburn by the Sea. Cleveland. September 9.

Yours faithfully.

# From Mr Barry S. Hyman

6) that her family were unable to stay in their house in Gloucestershire as we were too poor to live there". This is followed by an account of Swinbrook in Oxfordshire: The village and land belonged to him [Lord Redesdale, her father]", and the house at Asthali. where he built stables, garages, kennels, cloisters and more bedrooms.

Could it be that Diana Mosley has

Worse and worse

From Mr Frederick Cosstick

on devolution, protocol, the monarchy and Anatole Kaletsky's Windows 95, I am beginning to have more sympathy with the old Conservative who said: "I am against all change - even change for the better."

3 High View Court. September 12.



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### COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE September 12: The Prince Edward. President, the Commonwealth Games Federation, this evening arrived in Kuala Lumpur. Malaysia, and was received by Tan Sri Hamzah Abu Samah (President, Olympic Council of Malaysia)

His Royal Highness later attended a Dinner given by the Lord Mayor of Kuala Lumpur at City Hall. BUCKINGHAM PALACE September 12 The Princess Royal. Patron. Northern Lighthouse Board.

this morning returned to Benbeula Airport having completed a three day Airport has ing compact of the Hebrides, western Isles.
KENSINGTON PALACE

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September 12: The Princes Mar-garet. Countess of Snowdon this afternoon visited the Sir James Henderson British School of Milan, to Beach Their Market Via Pisani Dussi, Milan, and opened Viz Psan Duss, Milan, and opened the new Lower School Library. Her Royal Highness later arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, from

ltal). Mrs Jane Stevens was in KENSINGTON PALACE September 12: The Duke and Duchseptember 12. The Louise and Dacri-ess of Gloucester this morning visited the Hypobank building. Kirchberg, and afterwards visited the "Family of Man" exhibition at Chaseau

Royal engagements

The Princess Royal, Patron.

Association of Wrens, will attend a reunion at the Festival Hall at

The Duke of Gloucester, as Patron.

Pestalozzi Children's Village Trust will attend a Festival of Culture to

mark the 40th Anniversary of the

Trust, Sedlescombe, East Sussex,

The Princess Royal will attend the European Championships at Burghley House, Stamford, Cam-

Church services are

on page 16 of the

Weekend section

this weekend

TODAY:

at noon.

TOMORROW:

bridge, at 11.00.

Philip G. Balkwill There will be a memorial service

for Philip G. Balkwill at 11.30um

on Saturday, October 4, 1947, in

Memorial Chapel, Charterhouse,

Later Their Royal Highnesses were

received by The Grand Duke and

Grand Duchess of Luxembourg at

September 12 The Duke of Kent, Patron, the Royal Armouries Dev-elopment Trust, this morning visued

the Kremlin Armoury.
His Royal Highness, Vice-Chairman, the British Overseas Trade

Board, this afternoon attended a Luncheon for Russian and British

businessmen given by Her Majesty's Ambassador to the Russian Federa-

nion (His Excellency Sir Andrew Wood) and opened the "Living Bridges" exhibition at the new

The Duke of Kent this evening arrived at Royal Air Force Northolt

from Moscow, Russia. Mr. Nicolas Adamson was in

Tremakov Gallery, Moscow,

Charcau de Berg.

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

Godalming, Surrey. Sir Thomas Lodge

A memorial service for Sir Thomas Lodge, former Consultant Radiol-ogist in Sheffield, will be held at the Cathedral Church of St Marie. Norfolk Street, Sheffield, on Tuesday. September 30, at 2.30pm.

**Butchers' Company** The following have been elected officers of the Butchers' Company for

the ensuing year.
Master, Mr George Adams:
Wardens, Mr Graham Jackman.
Mr John Jackman. Mr Douglas
Noakes. Mr Michael Richardson.
Mr William Pariser.

### School news

Aldro celebrates the Centenary of the school's foundation during the forthcoming academic year. Term commences on September 14. Many events are planned throughout the 100th year. The Centenary Cricket Tour, captained by Nicholas Scott, departs for South Africa on October 22. The Centenary School Concert is on November 19. Term concludes with the Carol Service in Guildford Cathedral at 2.30pm on Thursday, December 18. Any Old Aldronians or former parents are invited to contact the Headmaster, Mr Ian M. Argyle, Aldro. Shackleford, Godalming Surrey GU8 6AS. Tel: 01483 810266, Fax: 01483 409010, E Mail: hm@aldro.demon.co.uk

Ellesmere College Michaelmos term at Ellesmere College began on September 7 with 390 in the school, an increase from 348 last year, James Williamson und Jounna Powell are Captains o School, Chris Hares is Captain of Rughy and Alex MacBryde is Captain of Girls' Hockey. Old Ellesmerians wishing to attend dinners in Manchester (Chanher (7). S Wales (November 28), or West Midlands (February 27) should contact the school. Glasleswick School

Term began on September 7 with 330 pupils in the School. Mr Richard Farmer has taken over as Housemaster of Nowell and Aliss Sarah Williamson as Director of Studies, Charles Ford is Head of School, Richard Drake Captain of Rugby and Eleanor Atkinson Captain of Hockey. The refurbishment of Style House is complete. On Sunday. October 5, the Double Centenary of the Chapel's Founda-tion and the formation of the Old Giggleswickian Club will be celebrated with a special programme of Music and Drama. The Old Gizəlewickian Wessex Lunch will place in Newby on Sunday.

October 12. The OG Yorkshire Dinner will be held in Leeds on Thursday, October 16, and the OG Lancashire Dinner will be on Thursday, November 27, Sixth Form Scholarship Day is Friday. November 14. Information on all these events is available from the Headmaster's Secretary Tel: 01729 823545, Fax: 01729 824187, E Mail: headmaster@giggleswick.nyorks.sch.uk

Leeds Grammar Schoo The Michaelmas Term commenced on Thursday, September II. in the new Junior School and Senior School buildings on the new 128 acre site at Alwoodley Gates under the continuing headship of Mr Bryan Collins. Mark Saunders is Head of School this term: Philip Simon is Captain of Rughy. The Old Lens' dinner will he held at Crag Lane on Friday, October 3. OLs' visiting mornings will be held on the new site on Saturdays. Details from the Development Office. Speech Day is on Tuesday, November 18, when the guest speaker will be Mr Michael Mayor, Chairman of the Headmasters' and Headmistresses'

Conference.

Westminster Abbey Choir School Term started vestenday. The new Headmaster is Roger Overend. The Senior Chorister is Charles Richardson, Oliver-John Ruthven is Second Chorister and Head of School is Peter Portal. The new Foundation Choristers are Jonathan Kirk. Christopher Ford and Owen Bubbers. The Choir will be singing in Oslo in late October, will give a performance of Messiah in the Abbey on December 5, and a performance of St Nicolas by Britten in the Barbican Centre with the English Chamber Orchestra on December 15, The next voice trial will be on October 15. Enquiries welcome from parents of potential choristers, Ul71-221

### Service dinners

HMS Collingwood Captain Jeff Blackett, the departing executive officer, was dined out and Commander Paul Morris, the new executive officer, was dined in. at a ladies night held at HMS Collingwood last night. RN Medical Club

Admiral Sir Hugo White was the guest of honour at a Royal Navy Medical Club dinner, held last night at the Royal Marines Bar-This afternoon The Duke of racks Stonehouse, Plymouth. Royal Scots Dragoon Guards

Gloucester, accompanied by The Duchess of Gloucester, opened the "Brusin in Linconbourg" exhibition at the International Fair Hall. Major General Charles Ramsay, Colonel of the Royal Scots Dragron Guards (Carabiniers & Their Royal Highnesses arrived at Greys), presided at their annual Heathrow Airport, London, this everegimental dinner, held last night ng at the conclusion of their visit to in Edinburgh Castle. Lovembourg.

Mrs Howard Page and Major Nicholas Barne were in attendance.

Queen's University Officers' Training Corps Sir Gordon Beveridge, the depart-

ing Vice-Chancellor of Queen's University Belfast, was dined out by the university Officers' Training Corps last night at Tyrone House Belfast Lieutenant-Colonel G.C. Chesney, TD. RE(V), Commanding Officer, presided. Among those present were:

Col Ja. Creaney. TD, Honorary
Colonel. Col (Reid) G.H. Baird.
Chairman. TAYRA Nonhern Ireland.
and Dr John Weaver. Chairman.
Military Education Committee.

### Dinner

Association of Anaesthetists The Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain and Ireland held its Annual Dinner on Friday, September 12, at The Majestic Hotel, Harrogate, at the conclusion of the 1997 Annual Scientific Meeting, which was held at the Harrogate International Centre. The President, Dr W.L.M. Baird, and Mrs. Baird welcomed the guests who

included:
Professor and Mrs J.L. Benumof, San
Disgo, Professor and Mrs L. Struntis.
Mr and Mrs A.J. Parker [Guest
Speakert: Dr and Mrs W.P. Blunnie:
Dr and Mrs J.F. Nunn: Dr and Mrs
A.J.J. Brain: Dr M. Morgan.

### Old Millhillians

The Old Millhillians Annual Midlands Dinner will be held at The County Club, George Row, Northampton, on Friday, September 26. Principal speakers will be William Winfield, Headmaster, Mill Hill School, and Jim Roberts, President, Old Millhillans Club. Old Millhillans wishing w anend should contact: John Perkins, The Shippen, Cattle Hill, Great Billing, Northampton, NN3 9DU, 01604 233200/407193 for more information.

A BLACK radish, an aubergine

resembling a purple banana, and black-leaved coleus are some of the

more unusual exhibits at the

Harrogate Autumn Flower Show.

The radish "Black Spanish" is

one of a large collection of root

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including white, pink, red-striped

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dens, of Harrogate, North York-

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play, which is highly decorative, also includes hot chilli peppers and

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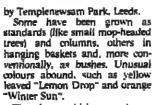
and staged by Joe Maiden.

### Anniversaries

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killed in the taking of Quebec. 1759; Leopold Stokowski, conductor, Nether Wallop, Hampshire, 1977. TOMORROW BIRTHS: Sir Peter Scott, natural-

ist and artist, London, 1909; Jack Hawkins, actor, London, 1910. DEATHS: Dante Alighieri, poet, Ravenna, 1321; Isadora Duncan, dancer, Nice, 1927; Grace Kelly. Princess Grace of Monaco, killed in a car crash, Monte Carlo, 1982.



Jamie Onslow, of Richards Castle, near Ludlow, Shropshire, and Michaela Sims

of Bridgend, South Wales, who are to marry in September next year

Black radishes at autumn show

By ALAN TOOGOOD, HORTICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

The show, which opened yesterday, is strong on vegetables and fruits. W. Robinson and Sons. of Fulton, Lancashire, have staged a colourful display of vegetables which inclues one of the newest red onions "Red Baron", a cultivar especially favoured for cooking

because of its small size. A collection of more than 65 different kinds of apple, and other fruits, grown in North Yorkshire n staged by R.B. Roger of Pickering, and Ampleforth Abbey. near York. The display also shows training techniques for fruit trees.

Among the roses, a cottage rose med "Harlow Carr", with oldfashioned-shape coral pink flowers, is making its debut. Shown by

C. and K. Jones, of Tarbin,

Chester, it commemorates the 50th anniversary of the Harlow Cart

anniversary of the Harlow Carr Botanical Gardens.

The best exhibits in the show, which have received a premier award, are w Robinson and Sons, of Forton Lancashire (Vegetables): C and k Jones of Tardin, Chester (troses): Harlow Carr Botanical Gardens, Harlow Carr Botanical Gardens, Harlow Carr Botanical Gardens, Harrowgate, North Yorkshire (peppers and aubergines); North of England Bonsal Association of Old Earswick, North Yorkshire foonsalt: Glenedd Violets of Sutton Bridge Lincolnshire (salnipaulias); Hearskie Garden Nursery of Alston, Cumbria sipinesh; Steven Balley, of Sway, Hampshire tcarnations and plinks, The Plant Lovers, of Canalesby, Lincolnshire (cactus and other succulents): Pinewood Bonsal, of Formby, Liverpool (bonsal): Fir Trees Pelargonium Nursery, of Southport, Lancashire tcarnations and plinks); and Park Green Nurseries, of Stowmarket, Suffolk (hostas and ormanental grames).

Other highlights are little arrangements and exhibit and competitions from 12 specialist societies.

The show, organised by the North of England Horricultural Society and held at the Great Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate, North Yorkshire is open today from 9.30 am to 5.30pm.

### Forthcoming marriages

Mr D.W.A. Williams and Miss J.J.G. Spencer The engagement is announced between Daniel, younger son of Baroness Falkender, of Marylebone London, and Jessica, only daughter of the late Mr J.M.N. Spencer and of Mrs J. Spencer, of Cheadle Hulme, Cheshire.

Dr P. Birch and Miss M. Scott The marriage takes place today at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Mansfield. Nottinghamshire. between Dr Peter Birch, of Vevey. Switzerland, and Miss Michelle Scott, of Nottingham.

Mr J.P. Kay and Miss L.R. Graham The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Philip and Patricia, of Torbay, Devon. and Lucinda, eldest daughter of David and Rosemary, of Rotting-

dean, Sussex.

Mr G.O.S. Korne and Miss C.A. Wickham The marriage will take place today between Giles Oliver Sholto, only son of Mr and Mrs Roger Korner of Mudeford, Dorset, and Claire Ann, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Wickham, of Chiddingfold, Surrey. Mr R.W. McVean

and Miss L. Hession
The engagement is announced between Robert, younger son of Captain and Mrs Andrew McVean, of Ashbourne, Derbyshire, and Laura, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Colin Hession, of Wilmslow, Cheshire. Comte G. de Montalivet and Miss C.O. Maunsell

The engagement is announced between Gaëtan, eldest son of the Comte and Comtesse de Montalivet. of Paris, and Charlotte, eldest daughter of Colonel and Mrs Robert Maunsell, of Fittleton. Salisbury. Mr J. Parkhous

and Schorita A. Jamarillo Garcia The engagement is announced between James, elder son of Mr and Mrs T. Parkhouse, of Marylebone London, and Angelica, daughter of Señora Luz Maria Jamarillo de Garcia and the late Sefior Jaime Jamarillo, of Mexico City.

and Miss F.J. Parkin The engagement is announced between Stephen, only son of Mr Stewart Phillips, of Yarton, Somerset, and Mrs Janice Pavey, of Weymouth, Dorset, and Fiona, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Alan Parkin, of Grantham, Lincolnshire.

Mr H.S. Robertson and Miss N.H. Sambrook-Smith The engagement is announced between Hugh Sehastian, eldest son of Mr Nander Robertson and the late Mrs Robertson, of Stirlingshire, and Naomi Henrietta, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Sambrook-Smith, of Buckinghamshire.

Mr M.D. Shennan and Miss V.A. Litherland

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Major and Mrs Malcolm Shennan, of Rimpton. Somerset, and Victoria, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs William Litherland, of Wedmore, Somersei.

Mr D.N. Spencer and Miss K.C. McManus The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Mr and Mrs Malcolm Spencer, of Harborne, Birmingham, and Katharine, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter McManus, of Winchester, Hampshire.

### Marriages

Mr D. Parsons and Miss A. Chadwick The marriage took place on Saturday, September 6, at St Margaret's, Cley-next-the-sea, Norfolk, of Mr David Parsons, son of Mr and Mrs Christopher Parsons, of Southstoke, Avon, to Miss Andre Chadwick, daughter of Rev Profes-sor and Mrs Owen Chadwick, of Mr J.F. Poë

and Miss E.D. Hand The marriage took place on Saturday, August 30. at St. George's. Church, Hanover Square, WI. of. Mr Francis Poë, son of Major and. Mrs. John Poë, to Miss Elizabeth Hand, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Hand.

### Weekend birthdays

The Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy will be 69 tomorrow.

TODAY: The Marquess of Ailsa, 41: Miss Carol Barnes, broadcaster, 53; Miss Jacqueline Bisser, actress, 53; Lieutenant-General Sir Derek Boorman, 67: Sir John Coulson, diplomat, 88; Sir George Engle QC, former First Parilamentary Counsel, 71: Baroness Fisher of Rednal, 78; Mr Niall FitzGerald. chairman, Unilever, 52; Lord Flowers, FRS. 73; Mr George Foggon, former Foreign Office adviser, 84; Professor Sir John Gum, natural philosopher, 81; the Duke of Mr. Goran Hamilton, 50; Ivanisevic, tennis player, 26; Lord Moynihan, 42: the Right Rev George Noakes, former Archbishop of Wales, 73; Mr Tony Pickard, tennis coach, 63: Sir Thomas Risk, former Governor,

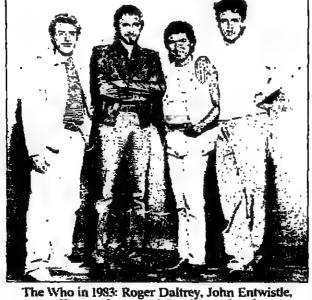
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Fraud Office, 57; Mr James Stuart-Smith, QC. former Judge Advocate General, 78: Professor Sir Keith Sykes, anaesthesis, 72: Mr Keith Thompson, former Vice-Chancellor. Staffordshire University, 65: Mr Mei Torme, singer, 72: Mr. Shane Warne, cricketer, 2k Lord

TOMORROW: Miss Sandra Blow, painter, 72:
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Cobban, former Headmaster, Abingdon School, 87: Vice-Admiral Sir William Crawford, 90: Lord Dean of Harptree, 73; Mr Martyn Hill, tenor, SX Mr Michael Howard, composer and conductor, 75; Air Marshal Sir Prederick Sowney. 75: Mr Ray Wilkins, lootballer, 41; Mr Nicol Williamson, actor, 59; Lord Willoughby de Broke, 59; Mr Martin Wyld, chief restorer, National Gallery, 53.



Kenney Jones and Pete Townshend

### **ROCK**

The Who National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham

When loud rock bands perform in huge arenas, whose interiors are patterned after aircraft hangars, the sound itself becomes an instrument. A minor change of ensemble texture can seem to alter the density of the very air, heightening the intensity. It is an effect achieved through experience won on lengthy tours of the massive halls of America, and The Who are its masters.

When, that is, they are not riven by the kind of internal strife which disfigured their last British tour a couple of years ago, of course, their volatility has become legend: it has carried them through extended periods when they made substandard music, or even no music at all. It was probably at the root of the announcement a couple of weeks ago that the present concerts would be their last (although their spokesmen were quick to announce, once extra tickets had

### ON THIS DAY

September 13, 1982 **经**加强

Fifteen years ago, when this review

appeared. The Who were described as an elderly group

been sold on the strength of their imminent farewell, that this had been a 'misunderstanding').

On Saturday night this elderly group delivered 24 songs in two hours with polish, panache and evident enjoyment. Only once or twice was there a suggestion that Pete Townshend, whose devilment is born out of an honest selfdissatisfaction, might wish to send the group hurtling off the rails. In general the performance was as compact and unsurprising as their early shows were erratic and electrifying.

The highlights of any show by The

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Who, therefore, are likely to be provided by the old songs. This time they included "Substitute", "I Can't Explain" and the under-regarded "Naked Eye" which has some of his most moving lines. More recent material such as the inflated "Sister Disco" and the rowdy new "Cry if You Want" sounds tame by comparison. Townshend probably knows this: Rog-

er Daitrey the singer who has acted as his mouthpiece for almost two decades probably does not. Nonetheless it was impossible neither

to feel a tug when the house lights went up during the inevitable medley from Tommy, nor to be warmed by the triptych of encores which included "Shaky All Over". "Twist and Shour" (with a raging vocal treatment by John Entwistle and "Summertime Blues". The latter, an Eddie Cochran song whose words and music played a vital role in shaping Townshend's compositional style, was a particularly appropriate choice; outside there was an autumnal nip in the West Midlands air.

Richard Williams

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EWART - On September 4th 1997. to [adith (nee Shephard) and David, a son, Nicholas David.

FOX - On September 5th at The Portland Hospital, to Justin and Stephanie, a beautiful daughter, Lily HUGGINS - On Thursday 11th September 1997, to Mia (nee Faylor) and Mark, a son, james George Ule, a brother for Lily Emma and Eleanor

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daughter, Emerson, AOULDER - On September 8th, to Jenny (née Lance) and Richard, a daughter, Olivia Charlotto, a sister for Harry

PLATT - On September 9th at Chelses and Westminster Hospital, to Holen (nee Sanderson) and Michael, 3 50n, Marcus Henry

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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

BROOMAN - On 13th September 1947, Fred and Chrissie of Weybridge

DEATHS

BISHOP - Dennis Peacefully at his home in Hereford on 10th September. Denry loved hashand of Pat and father of Selly and Claire. For Funoral details plane contact Sayley Brothers, Cottorell Street, Hereford. Tec. 01432 277245 Tel: 01432 272465

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Peterborough Service at
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September 17th at Mowbtay Road Peterborough Donations if desired to Parkinson's Disease Society c/o John Lucas F/D, 31 Dogsthorpe

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EDWORTHY - jo. Well loved wife, mother, grandmother and friend. Died suddenly and peacefully at home on 10th September 71 years young. Vigit Mass at 8 pm Wednesday 17th and funeral to be hold at 11 am Thorsday 18th at 5t Xichael's Catholic Church, Battle. No flowers please, but donations to the British Heart Foundation, Concer Research Fund or CAFOD would be appreciated. 1997 Lossie Kingston peacefully after a long illness, husband of the late Anna, father of Marilyn and loving grandfather. You meant so much to all your friends and fanily, we will miss you and will always treasure your memory. Service at the Waodwale Crematorium, Lewes Road, Brighton, on Tuesday 16th September at 12 moon. Flowers or donations if desired to Cancer Rosearch c/o Hanningtons F/D, 4/6 Moatefiore Road, Hove, tel: (01273) 778733.

ELRICK - Low Fell, in hospital on September 11th aged 88 years, John McKelvie, former netwool reacher in Glavenous ischool tracher in discound.
Sadly missed by all who
knew her. Would friends
please meet at Saltwell
Crematorium, Gateshead, on
Tuesday September 16th at
1.30 pm for service. Flowers
may be sent to J.M. & E.
Ovington & Son, 28
Exemsworth Road, Birtley.
Private afterwards.

VANS - On 11th Septe 1997, poacefully at home in Guernsey, Phyllis Miriam (nee Carter) beloved wife of

the late Arthur, dearly lored mother of Pamela, Parricia, Margaret, lanet and the late Christino, and a much loved mother in law, grandmother

CRICHARWELL - Kaushalys of IA Mitte Court Baildings Inner Temple, London Beloved wife of John Cowpet Harwell Passed away or 10th September 1997.

PARLOW - On 11th September 1997 Leslie Kingston

STEPHENSON - Thelma on 11th September at Salisbury Hospital agod 94, of Amesbury Abber. Devoted wife of the late John Stephenson, daughter of the late Captain Edward Unwin. Dear "Auntle Harma" to Christopher, Johanna und Nick Funeral Service at 12 noon Wednesday 17th September at Amesbury September at Amesbury Parish Counth

SULLIVAN - Peacefully at Dumfries & Galloway Royal Infirmary, after an illness, on 10th September 1997, John Barry Sullivan, Corsock, Scotland (formerly of Hastings) Very eadly missed by all his family, especially his children and grandchildren. Funeral Service at Corsock Church on Wednesday 17th September at 1100sm. Followed by interment in Corsock Churchyard.

TURNER - On September 11th at Linford Park Nursing Home, Francis Logan MR, Ch.B. FECA aged 85. Ever loved and loving husband of Elizabeth, father of Margaret, Robert and Christopher and gundfather of Marianne, Mark, Paul, Miles and Charlie. All enquiries to Barrow Broa, Puneral Directors, Tel: D1425 472104.

furmer - Diana Mary die Owners - Diana Mary Gled peacefully on Thursday 11th September in her 81st year in Co. Tipperury Funeral 12 noon Monday 15th September at Templemore.

Willis - H.H. Judge Colin on September 9th 1997 Treasured friend and companion to his wife, children, John and Rhydding and an isspiration to his much loved grandchildren William and Thomas. Family funeral. Service of Thanksgiving on Saturday September 20th at 3.30 pm Church of the Holy Cross, Sherston, Please no flowers.

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As a child, Peretti was left by

Milan by his grandmother

and an aunt. It was, apparent-

ly, a bohemian, artistic house-

hold and the boy had already begun to paint before deciding

at 12 that he wanted to dance.

Applying to the school of the

Paris Opera, he found that he

was beyond the statutory age

for entry but managed to get

Six years later, in 1923,

Peretti made his debut as

Alfred in the premiere of La

Nuit ensorcelée, starring the

reigning ballerina Carlotta

Zambelli, with scenario and

designs by Leon Bakst, Soon

followed a role as Celestial

Vision in Istar, mounted for

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Ida Rubinstein: also a part

made for him by Bronislava

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By the time Lifar arrived as

ballet master, Peretti had

played Dorkon in Fokine's

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himself accepted.

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**OBITUARIES** 

Serge Peretti, ballet dancer and teacher, died

in Paris on August 20

aged 92. He was born in

Venice on January 28.

1905. FOR well over half a century

erge Perenti served the Ballet

of the Paris Opera, first as one of its finest dancers, then as a

The most surprising thing

about Perent's career is that

his dancing days were at their peak during the 1930s, when

Serge Lifar was ballet master

at the Paris Opera and himself

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Boris Kochno, in his history,

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danced several other roles made for him by Albert and choreographer was on the Aveline, Lèo Staats and Nicola Guerra, the regular house theus with Peretti and the illustrious Russian ballerina choreographers, and by the Swedish ballerina Carina Ari, Olga Spessivtseva as the man who danced with him. Then all through the Thirties and during the Second World War Peretti had leading roles in his unmarried to-year-old mother to be brought up in

many new productions. Among the more important were Lilar's Salade, Bolero, Le Chevalier et la Damoiselle. Joan de Zarissa and Guienol et Pandore; Aveline's Lu Grisi and Elvire; Ivan Clustine's production of La Péri; and revivals of Les Deux Pigeons, La Korrigane, Namouna and Lulli's Le Triomphe de l'Amour. He partnered all the ballerinas in turn, from Camille Bos and Suzanne Lorcia to Lycette Darsonval and Yvette Chauviré, In 1941 Peretti became the first man to be given the rank and privi-

dancer, a ritle previously reserved for the ballerinas. After the war Lifar was temporarily expelled from the Opera on unproved allegations of collaboration. Peretti was made acting ballet master and created the only new ballet premiered in that period. L'Appel de la Montagne,

leges of an *étoile* or star

to music by Honegger, starring Chauvire and himself. However, amid the disputes surrounding Lifar, Peretti decided to withdraw and undertook a long South American tour with a group of colleagues. Returning to Paris in 1948, he began teaching the boys at the Opera's ballet school.

Serge Peretti's only appearances in London were made heading the bill for a week of "Stars of the Dance", at the Princes (now Shaftesbury) Theatre in August 1949. He and the ballerina Nina Vyroubova made an impression, especially in a Chopin Ballade of which Peretti was joint choreographer, in spite of poor musical and decorative presentation.

For a time Peretti ran his own school in Paris before returning to the Opera as teacher of the étoiles. Even after his retirement from dancing, occasional guest performances — as Dr Coppelius, or the Showman in Petrushka - served as a reminder of his gifts. Happily, a documentary film about him was completed shortly before his death, with archive shots of his past dancing and a sequence of him coaching several of his

former pupils. Peretti never married.

### **BUS MOSBACHER**



Emil (Bust Mosbacher, American yachtsman. died on August 13 aged 75. He was born on April 1, 1922.

The winner of the America's Cup in 1962 and 1967. Bus Moshacher was one of America's finest postwaryachtsmen. His skill at the helm and tactics on the race course almost certainly saved the New York Yacht Club and its defender Weatherly from losing the America's Cup to Australia in 1962 On that occasion, in addi-

tion to his aggressive and sometimes wily factics, his iron-fisted rule over his crew and awesome attention to detail staved off a superior challenge from Jock Sturrock's faster Australian challenger Gretel, owned by the newspaper tycoon Sir Frank Packer: no one was to get close again until Alan Bond and his Australia II crew finally wrested the famous trophy away from the American club for the first time, 21 years later.

Mosbacher, only the second Jewish member to be elected to the staunchly conservative New York Yacht Club, was invited to join specifically to defend the Cup against what was known from the start to be a strong Australian challenge: he was drawn back to fight off a second Australian challenge in 1967. This he did on his own terms, playing a key role in drawing up the rig and layout of the radically designed *In*trepid. His crew trounced Jock Sturrock's Dame Pattie (which was nicknamed

Danmed Pity") 4-0. A lifelong sailor, Mosbacher later organised several spectacular tall ship events in New York, starting with a 200strong fleet that assembled for Operation Sail in 1976 and again ten years later to cele-brate the 100th anniversary of

the Statue of Liberty. He oversaw a third gathering of sail in 1992 to mark the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus's discovery of the New World. Mosbacher was Chief of later sailed to victory in the US national championship.

Protocol during the tricky vears of the Nixon Administration from 1969 to 1972, and a year later Nelson Rockefeller appointed him to head the New York State Racing and Wagering Board at a \$75,000 annual salary - a level of remuneration that was exceeded in US public service only by the President and the Governor of New York State.

For Mosbacher, the money was unimportant. The son of a Wall Street broker who had the foresight to sell his stock just before the 1929 crash, he was a multi-millionaire in his own right, having inherited his father's real estate, oil and gas empire. His salary was an issue for the voters though, and this, coupled with his lack of experience in the horse racing world, caused considerable controversy in the 1974 gubernatorial election, and led to his resignation.

His nickname "Bus" was short for "Buster", a label given to him at birth by a hospital nurse. Sailing came shortly after. His father put

him in a dinghy at five and he was given his first boat, a Star class Olympic keelboat at the age of nine. By the time he was 14 he had won the Midget championship and two years

Mosbucher and the 12-metre yacht Intrepid in the run-up to his successful defence of the 1967 America's Cup

His father was something of a taskmaster who wanted nothing but success for his son and this undoubtedly shaped young Mosbacher's will to win. At the time of his first national victory, Mosbacher senior said of his son: "The thing that made me mad was his extreme conservatism especially with money. I re-

member once he was racing in the Star class during Manhasset Race Week, I went down to the dock to check out the boat and noticed that his sheets were frayed. He had never even mentioned it to me. Hell, I would have been glad to replace them. I got so mad I slashed the sails." After graduating from Dart-

mouth College in 1943 Bus Mosbacher enlisted in the US Navy and after the war joined his father to help to manage the family fortune. He did not return to sailing until 1949 when he found instant success in the highly competitive International One Design class, winning the championships for eight years in succession. Sailing a six metre, he also won the British-American Cup

By 1958 he was generally acknowledged as the best small-boat skipper in the US, and won the job of steering John Matthews's 12-metre Vim. the slowest boat in that year's America's Cup defence trials. Remarkably, Mosbacher's mastery of match racing almost carried her to victory. He did it by harassing his opponents during the prestarts, tailing them so closely that they could neither tack nor gybe. These tactics, once regarded as ungentlemanly. are now accepted at all levels

of match racing. Explaining this aggressiveness. Mosbacher once said: "In match racing, the idea is to find your opponent's Achilles' heel — then sink your teeth into it!"

In 1962 he skippered Weatherly through the Cup trials to defend against the vastly superior Australian challenger, Gretel. The Australian boat won the first race after a large wave helped her crew to surf ahead at a crucial stage, but as Time magazine put it: "What Bus did to Jock Sturrock in the four races that won Weatherly the Cup should not have

happened to a kangaroo."

Instead of using his normal brute force and intimidating tactics, Mosbucher employe great guile. When Gretel looked certain to sail past in another race, he called for a spinnaker change. There was no need for it, but the Australians assumed there was and followed suit, and the resulting loss of speed cost them the race, in another close encounter. Mosbacher noticed that whenever Sturrock was about to change course, he grabbed the bottom of Gretel's wheel, yet whenever he faked the move, his hands never left the sides. As a result, the Americans ignored the false moves and simply sailed away to win the series 4-1.

After retaining the Cup, he said "never again" and stuck to his word during the next series in 1964. But he was finally drawn back by the promise from the Philadelphia banker William Strawbridge that Mosbacher could have the final say with everything to do with the Intrepid challenge. The Australian challenger Dame Patty was no match and Intrepid sailed away to win the Cup 4-0.

Bus Mosbacher is survived by his wife Patricia, and three

### PHILIP VELLACOTT

Philip Vellacott. ster College, Cambridge, where Presbyterian (now United Reformed Church) ministranslator, died on ters are trained; he became August 24 aged 90. He was born on resident tutor there in his third vear. After spells lecturing at January 16, 1907. Liverpool University and teaching at the Royal School, LOVE of Greek literature brought Philip Vellacott dis-Dungannon, and Stockport tinction in two fields. He was a Grammar School, he juined

Serge Peretti as Dr Coppelius, a favourite role

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sical rigour over staff and boys

at Dulwich College, and a noted translator of many of

Philip Humphrey Vellacott

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the staff of Dulwich College in

mon-room colleagues into thinking harder than they had for years about an argument in Plato, a chord ode in Oedipus or the meanings of a line of King Lear.

He was a wise and kindly form master, and a stickler for detail ("My name is Vellacott: two I's and two I's"). He once set his upper sixth to translate the English version of a piece from Isocrates into Greek. One boy recognised the source, and submitted the original. Vellacott made a few corrections and awarded it eight out of ten.

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flu. His knowledge of Shakespeare was remarkable. In 1963 he was elected the first president of the common room, in recognition of his unquestioned authority and reasonableness in all clashes between young and old on questions of discipline or good

taste.
Vellacott was the author of a school textbook. Ordinary Latin, but it was as the translator of many of the texts from the Classics for Penguin that he won an international reputation. He translated The Oresteia for the BBC in 1956, and it was subsequently published as a Penguin with enormous SUCCESS.

For twenty years he worked on further translations for the BBC producer Raymond Raikes, who also broadcast Vellacott's own plays and talks. The translations became important and highly regarded features of Betty Radice's extensive Classics list for Penguin, and eventually included the whole of Aeschylus and all 17 plays of Euripides. These are still in print, and will remain available even as fresh translations are published.

Vellacott also wrote studies of each of the three Attic tragedians whose work survives, drawing upon his long and close involvement with their texts, and lectured on the Greeks regularly in the United States. He was Visiting Professor of Classics at Santa Cruz University in California.

He continued to work until well over 80, and was always able to illustrate his points with simple examples. "How ridiculous," he once said, "that the notice reads 'Use the footbridge to cross the line'. It should, of course, read To cross the line, use the foot-bridge." Such fastidiousness has its rewards: Vellacott could take delight, for instance, in the unfailing logic of Cicero's word order.

No walker could keep pace with him without running two or three steps in every ten. whether along Dulwich Common or on Snowdon, where he was usually to be found on New Year's Day. He was an accomplished pianist. He is survived by his wife,

Nancy, whom he married in

1939, and by two sons (one adopted) and two daughters.

### **MILESTONES**

Mother Teresa, Roman Catholic Missionary, died on September 5 aged 87. She was born in Albania on August 27, 1910.

On a train journey to Darjee-ling in 1946, Mother Teresa, then Principal of St Mary's School in a rich area of Calcutta, received what she described as "the call within a call", which led her to work for the rest of her life with the very poorest of people. In 1949 her first ten followers formed the Missionaries of Charity, and three years later they opened a religious home for dying destitutes.

Eventually, those helping with this work were to number tens of thousands from more than 40 countries. In 1979 she won the Nobel Peace Prize and renewed her calls for the outlawing of abortion. Her emphasis on contemplation and prayer rather than diagnosis was controversial, but she was widely regarded as a "living saint". Obituary published on Sep-tember 6 (most editions).

Jeffrey Bernard. journalist and eponymous hero of a West End hit. died on September 4 aged 65. He was born on May

A lover of smoking, drinking, gambling and women, Jeffrey Bernard lived most of his life in Soho, indulging in all four. In the 1960s he began writing about racing. and worked for Private Eye and The Sporting Life. But it was "Low Life", his column in The Spectator, later described as "a suicide note in instalments", that brought him fame. In 1989. his friend Keith Waterhouse had a West End hit with a dramatic entertainment named after the line often printed by The Spectator, Jeffrey Bernard is Unwell". Obituary published on September 8.

Sir Georg Solti, KBE, conductor, died on holiday in the South of France on September 5 aged 84. He was born in Budapest on October 21, Born Gyuri Stern to a closely

knit Jewish Hungarian famlly in Budapest, Georg Solti studied under Bartók, Dohnányi and Kodály. After work as a repetiteur with Toscanini in 1937, he was asked to conduct Figaro in Budapest. That evening the Nazis marched into Austria. Solti left abruptly for Switzerland. After the war he became music director in Munich, conducting Der Rosenkavalier in Richard Strauss's presence. He re-corded an acclaimed Ring cycle. He spent the 1960s as music director at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden. He then took the Chicago Symphony Orchestra to heights unrivalled in America, and worked with the

Obituary published Sep-Professor H. J. Eysenck, former Professor of Psychology at the University of London Institute of Psychiatry. died on September 4 aged

81. He was born on

March 4, 1916.

London Philharmonic.

Hans Eysenck was the most prolific writer on psychology of his era. A refugee from the Nazis, he was later attacked for his work on IQ and the importance of genes in the formation of character. which was forever to overshadow his wide range of

other inquiries. Obituary published Sep-



Mobutu Sese Seko President of Zaire, 1965-97, died on September 7 aged 66. He was born on October 14, 1930.

Mobutu brutally misruled the former Congo for 32 years, presiding over a com-plete collapse of the economy, and amassing a vast personal fortune in the Obituary published on

September 9.

General Sir John Hackett, Commander-in-Chief, British Army of the Rhine, 1966-68, and Principal of King's College London, 1968-75. died on September 9 aged 86. He was born on November 5, 1910.

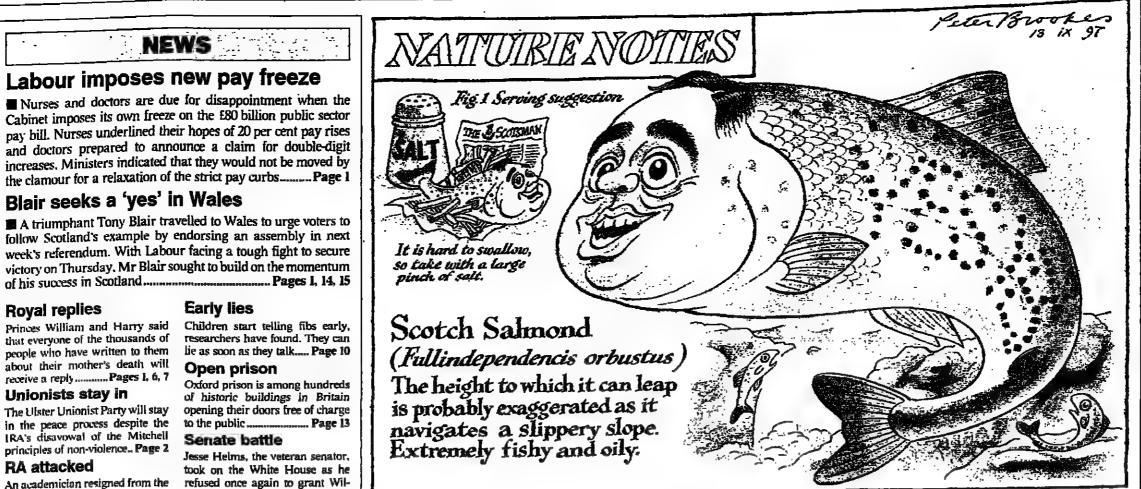
One of the most intelligent of military men, Hackett won the MC. DSO and Bar during the Second World War. He left the Army for academic life in 1968, and was much in demand as a military commentator. Obituary published September 10.



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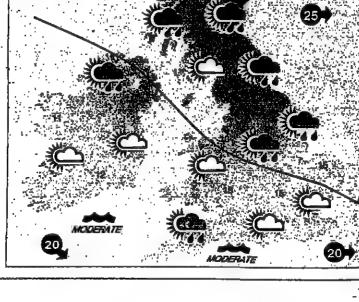
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# Pru's UK head ousted in radical shake-up

BY CAROLINE MERRELL

PRUDENTIAL'S UK chief to give up their company executive has been ousted as part of a radical shake-up of Britain's biggest insurer ordered by Sir Peter Davis.

Sir Peter, group chief executive, will assume direct responsibility for the UK retail operation. Jim Sutcliffe, chief executive of Prudential UK, is to leave at the end of this month. He has been with the insurer for 21 years and chief executive for the past two.

Sir Peter said that Mr. Sutcliffe had turned down the offer of another job within the group, and had wanted to lead the restructuring himself.

The Prudential refused to comment on Mr Sutcliffe's pay-off. Last year his total sulary including bonus was £437,000. He is on an 18month contract. A spokesman said the pay-off would depend on how quickly Mr Sutcliffe, 41. was able to find another position. He can also cash in share options worth a total of £1.2 million.

Mr Sutcliffe was one of two remaining executive board direutors who had worked under Mick Newmarch, the previous group chief executive. Mr Newmarch left the company at the beginning of 1995 after a clash with regulators. Now only Keith Bedell-Pearce, director of international development, remains.

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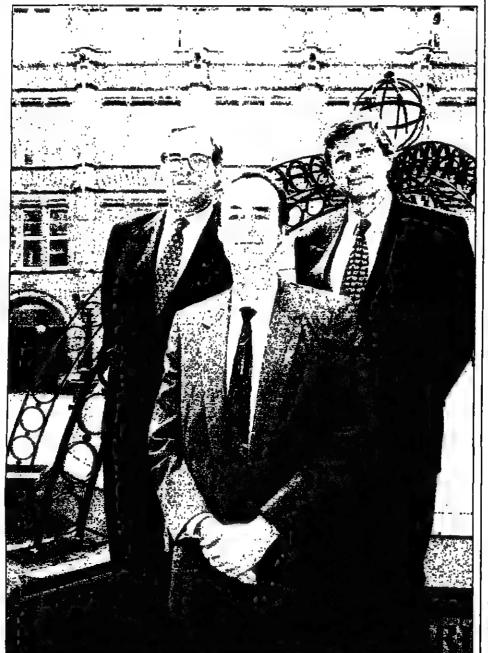
following the pensions misselling issue." He admitted that the Prudential was unlikely to meet the first deadline set by the Securities and Investments Board to sort out its pensions mis-selling cases. The company could end up heing fined by the regulators. The chief city watchdog

gave the Prudential until the end of this month to compensate 90 per cent of highpriority cases, and it has until March to complete the misselling review. The review of operations is expected to take around six

months. The company insisted that it was not a cost-cutting exercise, and therefore was unlikely to result in redundan-The company will be split into four parts. One division will be aimed at selling through independent financial advisers, via the recently ac-

quired Scottish Amicable; another will focus on direct sales through the Prudential's salesforce. A separate division will deal with telephone sales, including the company's banking se final division will focus on corporate pensions. Sir Peter said that this final division will be responsible for the development of pensions to

fit in with government plans to overhaul state pension provision. Others involved in the review include John Elbourne. managing director of Prudential Assurance, and Roy Nicolson, managing director of Scottish Amicable.



Sir Peter Davis, left, with Jim Sutcliffe, centre, and Michael Harris, head of banking

### Shell pays \$2bn for control of Montell

SHELL the Anglo-Dutch oil group, is investing \$2 billion (£1.2 billion) in its troubled perrochemicals division by purchasing the outstanding 50 per cent of the Montell polypropylene joint venture. At the same time Shell is centralising the management of its worldwide chemical operations under a new company. Shell Chemicals, with the aim of achieving leadership positions

in its chemical businesses.

Shell is taking complete control of Montell with the payment of \$2 billion to Montedison, the Italian joint venture partner, for its half of the business, which is the market leader in polypropylene in Europe and North America. Shell has also signed a joint venture agreement with BASF over their interests in polyethylene. The oil company is centralising management of its chemical operations, giving worldwide strategic control to a small executive team led by Evert Henkes.

Disappointing earnings from Shell's chemical businesses marred the oil group's halfyear results, with chemical earnings outside the US down 38 per cent in the second quarter. A drive to refocus chemicals and improve performance led to the sale of the fine chemicals businesses to Inspec but a quarter of Shell's chemicals businesses are thought to be underperforming.

Gordon Gray, o Salomon Brothers, said Shell, among the oil majors, has the highest proportion of its assets in petrochemicals. "In our view they would be well served by gearing up the balance sheet. The question is whether the \$2 billion of capital is put to good use, and in chemicals Montell is probably the area that has the best potential of all."

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# **WEEKEND**



Anne Ashworth on the new burden for households

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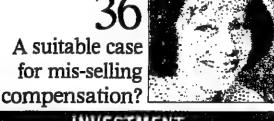
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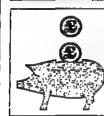
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# Auditor sued over Resort Banks return to property

SIR PETER DAVIS, chief executive of Prudential, is one of dozens of investors collectively suing Coopers & Lybrand (C&L) over the notorious 1992 rights issue by Resort Hotels.

the failed hotels group. Sir Raymond Lygo, former chief executive of British Aerospace, Sir Peter Menzies and the Earl of Portsmouth, are among those taking the action, which alleges negli-gence on the part of C&L Resort's auditor, together with former Resort directors. Those a prospectus accompanying

By Jon Ashworth named in the writ include Robert Feld, Resort's founder.

who was jailed for eight years in April for fraud and forgery. Details of the action are out-lined in a writ lodged in the High Court in London. A similar writ was lodged in July, Leon Kaye Collin & Gitten, a London law firm specialising in class actions, is acting for 250 individuals and institutions.

The plaintiffs allege "untrue and misleading" statements in

the Resort rights issue, which raised £30 million, two years before the company collapsed.

Feld, who was described by the trial judge us a man of appalling dishonesty", was said, at his trial, to have overstated a profits forecast in the rights issue prospectus by El million, while massaging other figures. It was alleged at the trial that C&L had failed to seek independent confirmation of documents provided by him. C&L had no comment

THE banks are poised to redisinvestment by banks since

turn to the commercial property market with a net £6 billion addition to their real estate loan books over the next two years. A survey by DTZ Debenham Thorpe, the surveyor, finds that three quarters of lending institutions intend to increase their property loan books to eash in on rising rents and increased confidence. The move would raise out-

standing loans to the property sector to more than £36 billion and reverse the trend of steady BY CARL MORTISHED

lending to property developers peaked at £40 billion in 1991. According to DTZ, none of the lenders surveyed intended to reduce real estate exposure, but the renewed interest in commercial property has meant a fall in interest margins for banks, lengthening loan commitment periods and more choice for property developers. Meanwhile. UK fund managers are maintaining their revived interest in the sector with

in property of up to £3 billion

over the next two years. The banks' interest follows a rapid retreat after losses from had property loans in 1902 and 1903. Peter Evans, of DTZ, said: "There is an argument that the natural result of overexuberance in one cycle is to he slow off the mark in the next." He does not expect 1980s-style boom and bust, but says the market will stay evolical if investors overestimate demand.

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### Morland pays £4.8m for Ruddles

RUDDLES County and Ruddies Best Bitter, two real ale drinkers' favourites, will be in British hands again under a deal brewed up by Morland, best known for its distinctive Old Speckled Hen beer (Sarah

Cunningham writes). Morland, the brewer based in the Thames Valley, is paying Grolsch, the Dutch company, £4.8 million in each for the two brands and for the Ruddles brewery. Groisch is bestknown for its premium layer sold in a swing-top hottle.

Payment of £3.1 million will be deferred until [000] Morland, which believes the deal will be earnings enhancing in the first full year, will assume trade liabilities of £1.4 million and pay up to £2.2 million for stock.

Mike Watts, chief executive. said: "The acquisition continues our strategy of developing the brewing business by con-centrating on niche products." The two Ruddles ales will be sold through Morland's own 440 pubs and also marketed in

# Phillis quits BBC for Guardian Media

BY RAYMOND SNODDY MEDIA EDITOR

BOB PHILLIS has resigned as deputy director-general of the BBC and chief executive of BBC Worldwide, its commercial arm, to become chief executive of the Guardian Media Group, parent of The Guardian and Observer newspapers.

Mr Phillis said yesterday he was leaving the BBC 'because he had been offered a very good and exciting job". He told BBC gover-

nors of his decision on Thursday. The number two at the BBC was responsible for implementing the Corporation's new commercial strategy — a strategy that has led to the privatisation of BBC transmitters and to a number of potentially lucrative joint ventures.

However, there were tensions at the top of the BBC with John Birt, the Director-General. When a radical restructuring was planned last year Mr Phillis was informed only 48 hours before it was publicly

announced and he was not involved in the process. Relations between the two were polite rather than close. It is clear that Mr Phillis, who began his working life as an appren-

tice printer before going to Nottingham University, would have liked to become the next Director-General of the BBC. That became less likely when Sir Christopher Bland became chairman of the BBC and Mr Birt's contract was extended by four years. Mr Phillis, who will leave the BBC in November after five years, must

have found the prospect of being in charge of an expanding media group preferable to being an uncomfortable number two at the BBC. The BBC said yesterday a new chief executive of BBC Worldwide would be appointed after Mr Phillis's departure, but there were "no plans at present to appoint a deputy director-general".

Mr Phillis, 51, is a former chief executive of Independent Television News. He was approached about the GMG job by Bob Gavron, GMG's chairman.



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### Ramco bid for JKX in jeopardy

The Ukrainian Government has effectively scuppered the takeover of JKX, the struggling oil and gas company, by Ramco.

The 46's pa-share bid ran into trouble when Ukragazprom, the Ukraine's state-owned oil group, and a Swiss partner with interests in Georgia, snapped up a 10.5 per cent stake in JKX at 52p per share.

Ramco has received further acceptances in respect of just 1.5 per cent by the second closing date, lifting its interest to 48.5 per cent. It is understood that two institutional investors. Mercury and Morgan Grenfell, are considering declining Ramco's offer and either holding their shares in JKX or selling them to Ukragazrpom.

### Invesco plan recommended

Directors of Saracen Value, the smaller companies investment trust that has drawn interest from 15 investment houses, have recommended to shareholders proposals by Invesco Asset Management. They offer a choice of converting holdings into Invesco's English and trust, an existing smaller companies unit trust, or cash. Saracen said the plans are supported by 59.7 per cent of issued share capital. HSBC Asset Management, a bidder for the fund, is releasing shareholders from obligations to support its plans.

### Convertors profits hit

A slowdown in sales of franchises has hit profits at Cash Convertors, the Ausiralian-based second-band shops chain with nearly 100 branches in the UK and a London Stock Exchange listing. Pre-tax profit was down to A\$6.48 million (£2.9 million) in the year to June 30, from A\$6.51 million a year earlier. The company has cut its final dividend to 22 cents, from 26 cents, giving a full-year pay out of 3.5 cents, down from 3.9

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Colin Child, pictured right, finance director of National Express, has sold most of his shares in the company, raising £851,000. He sold 164,572 shares

at 517p on Thursday, leaving him with 4,666 shares. Philip White, left, chief executive, sold 35,000 shares at 517p, netting £181,000. He still has 37,106

reported pre-tax profits of £23.5 million

# Lucas Varity profits fall but margins advance

PROFIT margin increases resulting from last year's transatlantic merger held LucasVarity shares steady yesterday in the face of continued pessimism

about the car parts market. Victor Rice, chief executive, said automotive sales in Europe and the US would remain flat in the second half. Analysts were pleased, however, by a deal with General Motors to supply anti-lock braking sys-tems for light trucks and off-

road leisure vehicles. The group, formed by the merger of Lucas, of the UK, and Varity, of the US, reported a dip in profits, blaming the strong pound, for the first six months of 1997. Profits were £167 million, against £169 million for the same period last year, despite being bolstered by £19 million gains from business and asset sales. The company said earnings would have risen 5.3 per cent without adverse currency changes.

In the second quarter, operating margins were up across the board on the levels achieved in the first quarter. In the diesel engines division,

they rose from 6.9 per cent to General Motors were saddled 8.5 per cent. Mr Rice was confident these improvements with high wage costs that made them less competitive. would be maintained in the

Changes in the taxation of dividends in the last Budget would not change the company's controversial policy of paying a reduced dividend in combination with a programme of share buybacks. An interim of 2.25p will be paid on January 5.

Eight more businesses will be sold by the year end as the merger restructuring continues. The group is no closer to

### Siemens rejects GEC's advances

By ADAM JONES

GEC has been rebuffed by Siemens in its bid for the German engineering group's defence electronics business. having been tipped as the favoured suitor.

The rejection has led to speculation that talks over the sale of GEC's 60 per cent stake in GPT, the telecoms equipment joint venture between the two companies, have stalled. One analyst said that Siemens is balking at the price asked by George Simpson, the GEC managing director, who is being made a peer.

Siemens yesterday confirmed it had formed a shortlist of two for its defence business. which made a £60 million profit last year and is known as Siemens Plessey in the UK.

The shortlist consists of a joint bid from British Aerospace and Daimler-Benz Aerospace, and an offer from Thomson-CSF of France.

GEC, in a statement, said: "We would have liked to have acquired this business, but we were not prepared to offer a price which we could not justify to our shareholders."

A Siemens spokesman maintained that the sale and the discussions over GPT's future were always separate issues. The two favoured bidders are now embarking on due diligence. Siemens aums to have the deal, which could raise DM1 billion (£350 miltion), agreed by the end of this month, although a wait for

regulatory clearance is likely. The BAe/Daimler-Benz bid is thought to involve splitting the German and UK assets be tween the two companies. There is a view that GEC may do a deal with Thomson if the

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### SkyePharma seeks £7m through placing

SKYEPHARMA yesterday announced a placing of 17.3 million ordinary shares to raise £7.4 million needed to keep. the pharmaceurical group going. Directors subscribed for E2.75 million of the shares, which were placed at 45p, a 34 per cent discount to the previous day's close of 682 p. Ian Gowrie-Smith, chairman, formerly head of Medeva, invested £300,000. Last year the shares peaked at 95p.

The cash call coincided with the pharmaceutical company's half-year figures, which revealed a pre-tax loss of £10.2 million (£4.9 million loss) and losses per share of 2.9p (2.6p. loss last time). The group gave warning that more cash could soon be required. "If the group is to pursue its current business plan it will require further funding before it. achieves significant positive cashflows," shareholders were

The reasons for the fundraising included deferral of filing dates for several products, costs associated with the acquisition of a manufacturing facility and rights to compounds purchased. SkyePharma added that the positive cashflow expected for 1998 at the time of the flotation would not now appear until 1999.

### Nikkei index falls back

TOKYO'S Nikkei share index fell below 18,000 for the first time since the spring as traders sold both the yen and shares in response to the 2.9 per cent fall in Japan's gross domestic-product in the second quarter of 1997. In New York, the yen fell to Y121.60 against the dollar before recovering slightly. The yen also dipped against the mark, ensuring that Japan's rebounding trade surplus again becomes an issue at the Group of Seven meeting in Hong Kong next week. Over the week, the Nikkei 225 index fell 8.6 per cent. Sum fails to rise, page 31

### Darby lifts profits

SHARES in Darby Group yesterday rose by 15½ p. to 135p. a new high, after the manufacturer and distributor of insulation and glass products reported a rise in pre-tax profits to £1.2 million, from £880.000, for the six months to the June 30. Earnings per share were 3.18p (2.37p). The interim dividend is being lifted to 1.2p a share, from 1p. Michael Darby, chairman, said that trading in the current year is continuing to develop well, and that he expects the pace of growth to increase in 1998.

### **Lusty buys Wunderbar**

JOHN LUSTY GROUP, the distributor of food products, is buying Wunderbar, a supplier of confectionery and savoury snacks, for a maximum consideration of £2.25 million. The purchase will be funded through a £2.3 million rights issue of one new share for every four held at 8p a share, against yesterday's price of 104p. Wunderbar, which owns the Boulevard brand, declared operating profits of £1.03 million on turnover of £7 million for the year ending April 30.

### Brown 'staying at C&W'

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY

CABLE & WIRELESS insisted yesterday that Dick Brown, its chief executive, was committed to the company, amid reports that he has been headhunted for the top slot at

AT&T, the US telecoms giant. A spokeswoman said that Mr Brown, an American who has spent 28 years in the US telecoms industry, had

has much more planned". Mr Brown, who earns £650,000 with a bonus entitlement of 100 per cent of his salary, has led C&W for just over a year.

The vacancy for a chief executive and chairman at AT&T arose several weeks ago when John Walter, who had been lined up for the job, left the company after only six

# SIB targets futures trader

DY GAVIN LUMSDEN

THE Securities and Investments Board is attempting to jail a North London futures trader for allegedly breaking a permanent injunction against him for the second time. Michael Ivor Braff was

second half. He said the long-

term target was for double-

digit margins in all divisions.

with aerospace on 15 per cent

turn its components division

into a separate company would not affect Lucas Varity.

even though some analysts see

the move as being a pressure

on future margins.

He said Ford's decision to

barred from conducting unauthorised investment business three years ago and sentence for contempt of court in Pentonville jail in 1995 after resuming business with his company, Global Currency. After a tip-off from an irate investor earlier this year the SIB discovered that Mr Braff

Porchester Securities. The SIB has obtained an

had set up business again as

assets and will commence committal proceedings against him in two weeks

Porchester, which has ad-dresses in Gibraltar and Spain, daimed it could grow investors' money by 7 per cent month. One investor's £10,000 investment lost £3,230

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change to the London stockmarket since Big Bang comes next month. Will the City get it right this time?

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# Bank of Scotland's no-no on D-Day

BY ANNE ASHWORTH PERSONAL FINANCE EDITOR

THE Bank of Scotland's devolution day computer crisis finally ended at tea time vesterday. The episode left embarrassed staff at the bank, established by an Act of the first Scots Parliament in 1695, making profuse apologies to customers and offering compensation.

Both English and Scottish customers were victims of a problem with the bank's systems that led to the details of cash and cheque cards being crased entirely. This meant that cards were gobbled up by cash machines on both sides of the border. People using their cards in shops were also unable to complete their

purchases. As the first results in the devolution vote were being announced on Thursday night, staff at the bank's telephone banking division, Banking Direct, were placating irate customers.

Yesterday, a spokeswoman for Bank of Scotland said that fewer than 2,000 account holders were directly affected by the computer problems. The computer appears to have chosen its victims at random, with no Sassenach bias.

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### A WORKING WEEK FOR: GRAHAM WALLACE

# Tuning in to what the customer wants

CWC's chief wants his communications business to be

interactive in more ways than one, says

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THE chief executive of Monagy Cable & Wireless Com-Tuesday | munications will spend a let of his time on Monday concentrating intently on the media Graham Wallace will be reading all the national newspapers. watching lots of commercial television and checking out

posters on the way to work. He will be assessing just what he is certing for his money - the £50 million being spent on an advertising campaign, which breaks on Monday and continues until March, to launch the Cable & Wireless brand as the higgest name in UK cable The impact next week. Waltace hopes, will be unavoidable, because not only is Cable & Wireless launching four separate TV advertisements, but the entire colour

"There was no doubt we had to make a big impact and there was no doubt it had to be different and unusual," said Wallace. He spent his week finalising details of the campaign while talking to journalists about what he aims to achieve at CWC. He has also spent a large amount of time preparing to explain his plans to the City, which has been sceptical about The performance of the cable industry.

advertising capacity of the national press

on Monday has been booked.

As he talked on Wednesday about the future of cable and the difficulties of integrating four companies (Mercury Communications. Nynex, Bell Cablemedia and Videotron) to form CWC with a turnover of £2 billion. Wallace was on call for a main board meeting at Cable & Wireless's headquarters in London's Holborn near by. Some new projects that he wanted to fund were on the agenda. But mostly this week his mind was on the campaign that could be launched only once the corporate integration was complete.

You couldn't just drop those names that customers were familiar with without replacing them with something better. The brand we are using with customers is Cable & Wireless." says Wallace who took on the job of creating CWC from its constituent parts after, most recently, running Granada's television rental division and then its restaurants and services. Last year, before the approach for the CWC job, Wallace was also involved in integrating Forte's hotel and catering interests with Granada's. Integration is obviously a speciality. In 1990 as a Granada representative on the board of British Satellite Broadcasting Wallace was closely involved in the merger with Sky.

The Granada experience of maintaining high levels of service to customers on a continuous basis is now informing his new career in cable, an industry which has been criticised in the past for poor service and marketing. "I think it's fair to say without giving

any confidences away that there is a lot to do. But that's great. It's no good coming to a company where everything runs bril-



Graham Wallace says the campaign aims to convey the theme that CWC focuses on the customer, talks to the customer and listens to the customer

liantly. Where the hell do you go? I don't think even its staunchest affies would claim that in marketing and service the cable industry has been that brilliant." said Wallace, who is noted for his openness and enthusiasm.

He studied engineering at Imperial College London, but was not enamoured with engineering rates of pay and quickly headed towards finance.

The 48-year-old Wallace is now firmly applying his service industry experience to cable. "I consider being focused on the customer as the most important thing we do. It's second nature to me," he said. It is that approach that has informed the advertising campaign -- slogan: "What

can we do for you?" -- and an accompanying survey that is claimed as the largest ever into the way the British communicate at home, at work and at leisure.

The survey will go to at least 1.5 million homes, or six million people, in the first wave, but the entire country is going to be asked to respond to the TV, poster and print campaigns. Quite apart from the cable industry,

Wallace believes that it is revolutionary for telecommunications companies to consult the public in such a detailed way.

testant" on quiz programmes such as Fif-

The survey consists of 30 multiple choice questions, ranging from whether respondents would like to be a "home con-

teen To One or Family Fortunes to whether they would break up an affair with someone on the telephone.

Slightly more seriously, consumers will be asked what they want communications technology to do for them in future. "The campaign is about building the brand but also getting over the theme that we focus on the customer, that we talk to the customer and we listen to the customer," said Wallace, who will soon set out with senior colleagues on a second tour of his empire, which ranges from London and Leeds to Manchester and Southampton, to visit all 12,000 CWC staff.

Wallace insists that notice will be taken of the survey's results. "We do have

choices on what products we develop, par-ticularly in the digital era," he said. The future of channels that come out badly in the survey could be reviewed. He is conscious of the scale of the challenge that he faces and is wary of setting public targets with time limits attached for his cable network. "One of the issues people have not properly taken account of is that we are still building the network. We are just over half-built and we will be fully huilt out by the year 2001," Wallace added.

CWC has six million homes in the UK under franchises and its cable network at the moment reaches about three million homes. Of those, about 600,000, or 20 per cent, subscribe - two percentage points

below the industry average. The long-term target is to lift the percentage of subscribers to more than 35 per cent. But Wallace concedes that this is unlikely to happen before the network is complete.

At the moment 90 per cent of CWC's revenues come from telecommunications, but provision of television channels will remain an integral part of the package. Indeed, the CWC chief executive argues, what makes cable unique is that it can offer consumers a complete communications package - telecommunications, TV channels and the Internet and other interactive services.

Even among cable companies Graham Wallace believes that CWC is in a unique position. With Cable & Wireless, a global telecoms player as a parent, Wallace believes that the cable subsidiary can count on continuing investment and longterm support. Telewest, the secondlargest cable company in the UK, has recently cut back its level of investment.

Underlying the scale of CWC's investment is the importance that Cable & Wireless attaches to developing "the local loop", the final link into the home, to connect to its national and international telephone networks, "At the end of the day we are different. That's the reality. We are an integrated communications company." said Wallace, who likes to watch Tottenham Hotspur when he can get away from the communications revolution.

Football, and how it can be provided to viewers, is also one of his professional preoccupations. This week the papers carried news that CWC is in talks with Leeds United about running a TV channel dedicated to the club in its Leeds cable franchise area. Wallace does not deny the reports. If such a thing goes, it will begin as a modest affair devoted to interviews with players and possibly clips from old matches. Live pay-per-view football is still some way off, although the merchandising possibilities are already attracting

CWC has, however, been in talks on a pay-per-view movie service with British Sky Broadcasting, the satellite venture in which News International, owner of The Times, has a 40 per cent stake.

"We are talking to BSkyB and we are also talking to other suppliers. A deal is not done yet. We are in detailed discussions," said Wallace, who is also preparing to launch up to 200 channels of digital cable. Technically CWC could do it now. The company has already found out it can feed all the channels from a single playout centre to all its franchises. The reality is that CWC will be happy to match BSkyB, which says it is launching its digital satellite service next spring.

In the meantime CWC is joining other cable companies such as NTL, which was known as CableTel until recently, in putting together relatively inexpensive packages that include a telephone line and a small number of basic television channels, including Channel 5.

CWC has recently launched a package at £11.99 a month, and so far Wallace believes that the response has been "very positive". The aim is to offer viewers greater flexibility in what they choose to buy. There is growing evidence that consumers do not like being forced to buy large packages of channels, including channels they do not want to watch.

The new stripped-down packages, com-plete with a cable telephone, will increase the competitive pressure on BT.

And after CWC's initial 250 million

advertising cumpaign, Wallace is prepared to spend as much again to reinforce the message to consumers.

# Scots away , after the vote

WHILE the majority of Scots at all?" I asked. "I'm not sure." were celebrating their country's vote for freedom, several prominent members of the business community were strangely absent, leading to comparisons with a Wild West ghost town. Where were all the captains of industry who so proudly opposed a Scottish parliament and the so-called

tartan tax? Lord Weir - who appeared on the television news to defend the union — was not in his Glasgow office and his secretary said that he was "uncontactable". Sir Bruce Pattullo, Governor of the Bank of Scotland, who put the case so eloquently against taxation in the bank's annual report, was "out of the office". and at Scottish & Newcastle Breweries, the chairman, Sir Alistair Grant, and Brian Stewart, the chief executive.

Indeed Mr Stewart's office said that he was 'out of the about twice what AT&T, the country". "Is he coming back

came the reply. "I hope so."

□ NEWS reaches me of the alarming efficiency of the share-dealing service being run for the Woolwich by Barclays Stockbrokers. The inquiry line was moving rather tardily vesterday and a reader tells me what hap-pened when he called to sell his shares. The voicemail said that the selling price was 313p. but it was so long before a human being came on the line that the price had dropped to 312p. But give Barclays its due... the bank is refunding

**Crisp Smith** 

IF ENERGIS, the National Grid's telecoms business, is really worth El billion, this is huge US multinational, was



Absent friends: Sir Alistair Grant, left, S&N chairman, and Brian Stewart, chief executive, both opposed devolution



prepared to pay for it a few years ago. Virtually the entire electricity industry, already awash with cash at the time. wanted to take the money. They were stopped by one man, who said that it was worth more. AT&T walked away, a decision it must be regretting as the Americans still want the business but will now have to pay much more. The man's name was James Smith - he used to run Eastern Electricity and, my, was he pilloried for it at the time.

☐ KING COAL, otherwise known as RJB Mining. has lounched a charity campaign on behalf of the Coal Industry Social Welfare Organisation. whose workers visit and provide help for sick, disabled and disadvantaged miners. A worthy cause, and staff are being encouraged to apply for haseball hats for 12 each, subsidised by the company. Just hose popular the hats, bearing the RJB logo, will prove to be in Leicestershire, and among stuff at the Asfordby colliery closed in spite of strong protests from the union - remains to be seen.

Blank check NEWS reaches me from Paris

CWC expects its £50 million campaign to make an impact, having booked the entire colour advertising capacity of the national press on Monday maker of the Luddite version of the Psion organiser — for blank agenda pages from previous years. These pages are used. I am told, by those who want to rewrite what they were doing in the past - for example to mislead tax collectors or to avoid compromising situations. The Filolax apparently has many famous users, including Princess Caroline of Monaco, the actress Isabelle Adjani, and Woody Allen, the m director, who has 12. 1 don't know if Stalin had one.

### Forest path

THE DIRECTORS' box at Nottingham Forest Football Club will be an interesting place today. The guest of hunour is Kenneth Clarke, the former Chancellor and MP for the city's Rushcliffe constituency, who has hardly enamoured locals by becoming chairman of UniChem. arch rival of the city's most famous

company, Boots the Chemist. Over the last few weeks, cuddly Ken has been weighing up an offer to become a direcfor of Forest. I understand he declined the kind suggestion of Nigel Wray, the financier who chairs the club, to take over that role. But there is still a gap on the board that needs to be filled before Forest publishes its flotation prospectus on Tuesday.

"I don't think we can match UniChem's £120,000-a-year, a Forest insider tells me. "But Ken can restore some of his Nottingham street cred."

### Pizza pickle

ON THE subject of Nigel Wray. Domino's Pizza, where he has a 20 per cent stake, has hired a motivational expert to help the group's irritating delivery boys to run over your feet on their mopeds. Robert E Farrell has offered his theories on "Service, Consistency, Attiof a flood of orders to Filofax tude and Teamwork" (Scat. geddit?) to the likes of Nike and Safeway in the UK, and has written a book called Give 'em the pickle. I have a picture in my possession of Ferrell giving 'em the pickle but out of kindness I will not be publish-

### Footie note

FOOTIE fans will be overcome with excitement next week. There is Arsenal in Greece on Channel 5 on Tuesday, Chelsea on their travels on the same channel on Thursday and double jeopardy on Wednesday, Carlton Select, the cable television channel owned by Carlton Communications, has bought the rights to show exclusively games in the Champions League that are not already on ITV.

Two Premiership teams, Manchester United and Newcastle United, have qualified. ITV is wisely showing the Geordies head-to-head tussle with mighty Barcelona. But for dedicated Man United fans and anoraks, Carlton Select will show the Red Devils taking on FC Kosice, who-

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"Bloody marvellous. It's the end of the summer holidays



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STOCK MARKET



# Dalgety sell-off talk offers holders a crumb of comfort

some light at the end of the tunnel for long-suffering shareholders of **Dalgety**.

The struggling pet foods and agribusiness is expected to announce plans to dispose of one or more of its five divisions when it unveils full-year figures on Monday. Brokers say the group is determined to retain its core Winalot and Felix petfoods business but may offload its ingredients, milling, pig breeding or US distribution side.

Ingredients is seen as the easiest division to offload, Associated British Foods, 12p better at 516p, Ireland's Kerry Group and Tomkins, l'ap firmer at 323p, are possible bidders.

The City has been buzzing in recent months about the possibility of a El billion break-up bid for the group after two profit warnings and a cut dividend.

The results, expected to see profits plunge from EIO2 mil-lion to E61 million, are likely to be accompanied by publica-tion of a strategic review. The shares rose 6½p to 274p.

Meanwhile, a rally inspired by the softer than expected US retail sales numbers quickly ran out of steam as Wall Street turned easier after an early mark-up. The FTSE 100 index saw a 23-point lead wiped out but managed to close above its worst of the day. It ended 6.6 points down at 4,848.2, stretching the deficit on the week to 146 points.

The London market has now suffered five days of consecutive falls on the back of a helter-skelter performance by the Dow Jones industrial average, which staged a 100point turnround in early trading yesterday. Worries about forthcoming third-quarter corporate earnings and unsettled Asian markets have fuelled fears that a major correction may be on the way.

After a 132-point fall in the Dow on Wednesday, the writing was on the wall for investors in London and they never recovered. Each time New York posted an opening fall domestic issues reacted

Brokers say the index could drop below the 4.800 support

The transformation of the City's attitude towards BTR this week takes some believing. The promise to refocus the eroup with £3 billion worth of disposals and to return money



British Airways climbed 142p after settling its pay dispute

to shareholders has struck a chord with brokers. Despite a jurther downturn in profitability, institutional investors are happy to back the group. It was again the heaviest stock among the top 100 companies with 24 million shares changing hands. But the price slipped 24p to 23l 4p.

There was also heavy turnover in shares of BT with 15.31

ker, was impresed with halfyear figures from United News & Media this week and has begun urging clients to "add" to their holdings. It says profits comfortably exceeded expectations and that earnings growth expectations were stronger than the likes of rival Carlton Communications. Cariton closed 10p up at

NatWest Securities, the bro-

Compass Group rallied 10p to 592p after shrugging off a number of bearish stories this week. These suggested that Accor was to sell its 10 per cent stake or that the group was about to issue a profits warning. Dresdner Kleinwort Beason, the broker, has spoken to the company and rates the shares a buy.

million traded as the price slipped 12p to 389p. SBC Warburg, the broker, is said to be recommending it to clients.

British Airways was the best performer among blue chip shares with the price climbing 142p to 6782p after finally settling its long-running pay dispute with cabin staff. The European Commission has also offered hope by saying it is not against the proposed alliance between BA and American Airlines.

5074p; United News added a similar amount to 758p. The failure of GEC to get on

the shortlist of buyers for Siemens electronic defence arm came as something of a blow and left the shares 1420 down at 38012 p. Now there is talk in the Square Mile that GEC has set its sights on Racal Electronics defence arm. Racal responded with a rise of 8p to 228 2 p.

A profits warning earlier in the week from Corning, the

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US glassmaker, hit its joint venture partner BICC with the price falling 13p to a new low of 1452p.

Corning is the world's biggest supplier of optical fibre equipment and says the rapid expansion in capacity combined with a slump in demand would affect profits this year and next BICC is a major supplier of cable.

Tesco was a flat market, losing 3½p to 434p after a counter bid for the French retailer Casino by rival Promodes effectively ruled out the supermarket chain making an offer of its own. Tesco is due to unveil interim figures next week with NatWest Securities looking for pre-tax profits of £349 million against £321 million for the corresponding period. Worried by the outcome of the Tesco results. Credit Lyonnais Laing, the broker, has begun urging clients to switch into Asda, 4 p firmer at 145p, and Safeway.

Next fell 23p to 731 ap as the bears moved in ahead of halfyear figures on Wednesday. Profits should be up but Credit Lyonnais Laing warns that the trading statement accompanying the figures is unlikely to impress the City.

Inchcape, reporting next week, fell 84p to 261p. The market expects headline profits to show a further decline although the figures should provide further evidence that the group's recovery is well

☐ GILT-EDGED: Those subdued US retail sales gave a boost to bond markets. London was inspired by gains of \$1 among US Treasury bonds. But brokers reported sellers at the higher levels and the best gains were not held. London still managed to outperform German bunds.

In the futures pit, the December series of the long gilt put on £3 to close at £115716 as a total of 90,000 contracts were completed. Among conventional issues,

the longer end of the market

attracted the strongest support which resulted in a flattening of the yield curve. Treasury 8 per cent 2015 rose E716 to Elll3, while at the short end Treasury 8 per cent 2000 was a tick better at £1021816. □ NEW YORK: Blue chips pulled back from their lows as trading curbs were lifted. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 18.35 points to 7.642.63 at midday **MAJOR INDICES** 

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# Plan from the Pru

WHEN the chief executive starts to appear on television commercials, you should fear the worst, and for Jim Sutcliffe, former head of Prudential UK, the worst was finding the boss's feet under his desk. Sir Peter Davis has big plans for Prudential: nothing and nobody is going to get in his way. This is no bad thing providing that Sir Peter gets it right. At first glance, vesterday's reorganisation of the business looked like yet another reshuffle. straight from a management consultant's manual. However, the interest lies not in the creation of four business units but in the recognition by the Pru that it needs to focus more on customers.

The Pru and its rivals are preparing for a very bitter battle over pensions and investment business. For insurers, the worst aspect of the misselling scandal was not the cost, nor

even the loss of goodwill but the sudden recognition that they had not a clue how to sell pensions to the public. With demand from the public set to surge as the government foists. provision on the private sector, insurers need: to get it right very quickly.

Evidence for the half year suggests the Pru is getting it wrong in pensions. New business fell while the market grew 20 per cent. Half of the Pru is still dominated by door-to-door selling, a labour intensive operation that may not justify the expense of regulatory-imposed training of the salesforce. Yet no pensions provider can hope to profit by selling to the wealthy and ignoring the mass market as competition and regulation will cut margins across the board and doubtless, force out the weak. The Pru, at least, has size on its side, and is a better bet than many.

### **Property**

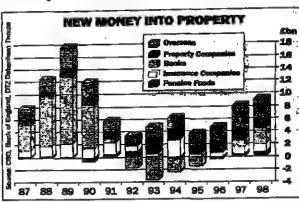
OUR great banks are developing a new version of Santayana's aphorism that those who forget the past are condemned to repeat it. Instead, those who remain obsessed with the past will miss out on the future. No chairman of a clearing bank will have forgotten the property busts of the early 1990s. having spent five years tidying up the wreckage of companies such as Canary Wharf, Imry and Speyhawk Loan officers have therefore shunned property; even assuming they could spot an investment opportunity, they face a board of directors whose collective fingers still bear the scars.

While our banks and fund managers sniffed at real estate, those abroad hunted for bargains. Over the last three years the biggest inves-

particular German, property funds and banks. These will have done spectacularly well, snapping up City office blocks on double-digit yields which have now fallen to 7 per cent and below. Still, our brave bankers reckon that all is not lost and are now ready to lend again, just as interest rate margins are narrowing

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and the property developers are getting the upper hand. Another bust is probably not imminent - strong tenant demand and few speculative developments should lead to scarcity and soaring rents. Thanks to our frightened bankers who never lend in a downturn we are headed for another spin on the property rollercoaster.



### Shell

SHELL has found a home for \$2 billion, although a great many shareholders probably reckon that they could find a better use for the money than petrochemical plants. Even after the cheque payable to Montedison is cashed, this remains a hugely overcapitalised oil company, at a time when returns from its upstream oil exploration business are rising sharply.

Still, it is unfair to reject the polypropylene investment. Full control of Montell offers Shell the chance to raise the return on fixed assets, which analysts reckon was as low as 7 per cent last year. Polypropylene is a growing market. and after the deal Shell will be the leading producer worldwide. Even more interesting is yesterday's further of the gradual centralisation of command at Shell. In future, chemicals strategy will be directed from a small team at the top, leaving little room for Shell's

local companies to embark on wild goose chases.

Yesterday's peevish reaction to the Montell investment in part stems from disappointment about the dividend. There is no obvious solution to Shell's problem with share buybacks, which are penalised by the Dutch tax system. A higher payout ratio is, however, likely and investors would be unwise to abandon Shell when it is showing signs of change.

### BICC

IT IS a measure of the nervousness which surrounds BICC that a profits warning from Corning, the US glassmaker, about its fibre optics business can send the British cable company's shares into a tailspin. Though BICC has a series of joint ventures with Corning, it has nothing in the US and the group was at pains to say that Cornings' problems have nothing to do with BICC.

What worries investors is

that there never seems to be od news coming out of BICC. Germany, Italy, Australia, wherever, BICC has troubles. Even Balfour Beatty cannot seem to make hav in a sunny construction market. BiCC's shares have fallen to less than a third of where they were a couple of years ago. Though BICC swears that the fibre optic market is not being hurt by increasing competiton and there is growth of 20 per cent per annum to be had, the City is bludgeoned with bad news and fears the worst.

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But this is unfair. When Alan Jones took over as chief executive he inherited a group in a mess, but whose problems had not been spotted by the market. These days BICC is a company wearing its heart on its sleeve and whose virtues are obscured by bad feeling. Yesterday's 9 per cent drop in the share price should be seen as a buy-

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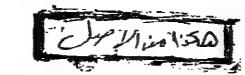
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Retired through ill-health, but too young for a pension



# THE TIMES: PERSONAL FINANCE NEWSPAPER OF THE YEAR

Gavin Lumsden and Sara McConnell report on moves to bring mortgages into line with work patterns

# Lenders told to offer more flexibility

nonnecements this week could radically after the way we arrange our personal finances. Mortgages could become better suited to the radical changes in employment, allowing us to pay more in the good times and take phyment holidays when work is scarce. However, we could also be compelled to take out cover to protect our meanies and our moregage paraments against periods of sickness or disability (see below). In a keymote speech, Hilary

Armstrong, the Housing Minister. threatened lenders with tough new laws if they did not start to self-launs that people need. In spite of the disappearance of

the jobs-for-life culture, many homosowners find that lenders still demand regular, uniform payments. Borrowers simply wishing to suspend payments for a few months as they look for a new job, or cope with a downturn in income caused by the end of a contract. often find themselves in arrears.

Miss Armstrong said: "The great majority of current mortgages are designed on the assumption of continuous full-time employment with fixed monthly payments for 25 years. These assumptions are in-creasingly out of step with life in the modern world." Miss Armstrong said lenders had to change their anitudes and focus more on flexible mortgages. These allow borrowers to overpuy when times are good and reduce, or suspend, payments when finances are right.

But Miss Armstrong's comments have sparked a furious debate among lenders as to whether this flexible mortgage is suitable for the mass market. Currently only a few lenders, including the Bank of Scotland, the Royal Bank of Scotland, Clydesdale Bank, Sainsbury's Bank, Scottish Widows Bank, Le-Stroud and Swindon building society and the Woolwich, which

Bank of Scotland, the market leader in flexible mortgages, borrowers are crying out for new terms from their lenders. The bank will next month offer the Personal Choice morigage, its successful flexible loan, in place

of its standard variable mortgage. Borrowers with flexible mortgages are able to pay off their loan early, thus reducing their interest psyment, with none of the penalties traditionally imposed by lenders. According to Mortgage Trust, borrowers who pay an extra £50 a menth on a \$.24 per cont variable 25year £50,000 loan can pay off the debt nearly seven years early, saving £21,921 in interest payments.

Some lenders have pushed the flexible concept further by allowing borrowers to withdraw some or all of the credit they have built up through regular overpayments by giving them cheque books, or even cash machine cards with Mortgage Trust's Current Account Mortgage.

The emergence of current account mortgages, the combination of two traditionally separate products. is revolutionary. By regular overpayment homeowners can reduce their loans and, therefore, their interest payments. If they then choose to withdraw the money they have overpaid, the interest savings they will have made will be greater than the interest they would have earned in a conventional savings account. Savings accounts earn around 5 per cent, while mortgage rates are between 7 and 8.5 per cent. The money withdrawn on the variable rate will also be up to 5 per cent cheaper than taking a personal loan from a bank or building society.

Willie Donald, chief manager of Bank of Scotland Centrebank, said: Borrowers can build up large lump sums which they can use to home improvements or make a contribution to a pension scheme.



uncertainly around the margins of Sexible lending. The Nationwide. like many, claims to offer flexibility to its borrowers on an individual basis. It has a subsidiary, UCB Homeloans, specialising in flexbile mortgages, and is considering selling the new loans through its chief executive, believes it may have to charge a fee for the service, Others The larger lenders are hovering argue that flexible mortgages are

already too expensive and will remain a niche product regardless of the Government's wishes. This is because most will lend only 75 per cent of the value of a property and do not offer the kind of fixed interest and discount deals that attract most borrowers. Mortgage Trust has three-year fix at 8.24 per cent to its Early Payment Plan. Patrick Bunton of London &

Country, a mortgage adviser, said: The ability to get a flexible mort-gage with a fixed rate is excellent. However, 8.24 per cent is not competitive, especially as interest rates are expected to start going down next year. You can get 7.29 per cent from National Counties, nearly would rather have 3 per cent in their pockets over three years." For some groups of workers, the

savings to be made from flexible loans could be swallowed up in compulsory mortgage protection in-surance. Pressure for this cover is coming principally from lenders, although Miss Armstrong did say this week that borrowers in trouble could not expect the State to improve only one in six of all borrowers voluntarily insures against becoming ill or unemployed and being

are seemingly unaware that if they cannot repay their loans they will receive no state help for nine months. If lenders get their way, the average borrower with a £50,000 loan will be paying an extra £27 a

month for payment insurance. Compulsion may, however, drive up the cost for the millions of selfemployed and contract workers without job security, as insurers set higher premiums to reflect the extra risk of borrowers in these groups. Currently most borrowers pay a flat rate premium.

At present, only a handful of companies, including General Accident Direct, operate a system of takes into account factors such as age, postcode and employment.

teve Devine of Pinnacle Insurance, a mortgage pay-ment protection specialist, said: "There are good risks and bad risks and compulsory insurance needs individual under

Any move to force insurers to offer cover to all borrowers on identical terms without being allowed to assess the risk posed by individuals could result in some people being refused cover and potentially a loan. The Association of British Insurers (ABI) said: "Cover may be made compulsory but the problem is to compel insurers to provide it. What happens if someone is at a high risk of redundancy but still qualifies for a mortgage?

Insurers promised to improve their policies two years ago after the previous government drastically cut the amount of state help for borrowers. But experts say this has not happened. Elaine Kempson of the Policy Studies Institute, who coauthored a critical report on the market in May this year, said this progress in developing policies that covered more people and linked in with the state system effectively.

# Sickness cover plan for workers

British workers could soon be forced to take out private insurance vipolicies if they are unable to work for long periods because of sickness or disability (John Givens writes).

Proposals put to the Gov-ernment this week by the Social Security Advisory Committee recommend that long-term sickness insurance should be made compulsory to help to ease the UK's £23 billion-a-year disability benefit bill.

The controversial scheme could see the average 30-yearold non-smoker paying pre-amiums of around £50 a month to make sure they have an income if their working life is cut short or temporarily interrupted by accident illness or The Social Security Adv-

isory Committee, whose find-

ings the Government is obliged to consider, believes the existing system of sickness benefit payments is failing to provide fair financial help to those who need it most.

Some large employers operate schemes that offer six months on full salary and a further six months on half salary to those with serious illnesses. But most employees must rely on the State. Under the current rules anyone carning more than £62 a week who is off work with an illness is entitled to claim weekly Statutory Sick Pay (SSP) of £55.70 for up to 28 weeks, with the employer picking up the bill.

After 28 weeks the claimant switches to incapacity benefit.

also £55.70 a week, until a full year of illness has elapsed, when the benefit rises to £62.45 a week. For the very long-term disabled, the State pays out varying amounts linked to the Disability Living Allowance of as much as

> The phasing-out of these benefits would mean that employees would be required to take out permanent health insurance (PHI) policies. After a deferred period of

three to six months the insured will receive a proportion (usually 50-60 per cent) of their normal monthly gross

According to Allied Dunbar, one of the market leaders

WEEKEND MONEY is edited by Anne Ashworth in individual PHI, a man aged 30 next birthday wanting annual cover of £12,500 against a salary of £25,000 would have to pay premiums of £51.23 a month for a policy offering a deferred period of one month. For a man aged rocket to £128.73.

However, some PHI experts expressed concern that the Government might im-pose fixed-cost policies on the insurers, denying them the right to use normal underwriting procedures to help to calculate premiums tailored to the individual.

Peter Kelly, divisional director of life marketing with Allied Dunbar, says that pre-mium rates are likely to fall if the market is flooded with applications for policies from people tocing the government



# Sun fails to rise in Japan

nless you are braye or smart, it is usually better for private investors as well as institutions to ride through general share price setbacks on the stock market. In theory, you earn much higher returns by capturing upswings and missing downturns. In practice, human nature makes one sell ton early, missing the last nervy leg of an upswing, and buy back too late, after the market has turned. Upswings are usually bigger and longer than the short, sharp shocks, making a pragmatic case for benign neglect.

There are alarming exceptions. Investors who bought at the 1972 peak of the FTSE All-share index did not see prices return to that level until 1977-78. Much the same was true in Japan, even if the intervening trough was not as deep as in Britain, where shares had lost more than 70 per cent of their peak value by the nadir at new year 1975.

Japan now also offers an up-to-date and even more chilling example of the true bear market. Tokyo missed the October 1987 crash, soon making it the world's most valuable stock market. topping even New York. Its lo-year bull market eventually came to a jarring halt in the final days of 1989, by which point the Nikkei 225 index had multiplied from 3.505 in October 1974 to a skyscraping 38,915. Ten months later, the Nikkei was back to 20,000. By August 1992 it touched

14,309, a drop of 63 per cent. The market has since been directionless. Good short-term gains can be made for instance in late 1995 or spring this year, as the index meanders between 15.000 and 20,000. But those



who bought during 1989 have still lost half their money. Long-term investors would need to have bought more than ten years ago to be breaking even.

The difference between that sort of disaster and a break to correct overtimism is an exonomic imbalance. In 1973 the first Opec oil price crisis converted a normal slowdown into an inflation-ridden slump. The financial bubble inflated uniquely in Japan at the end of the 1980s boom was punctured by interest rates. The Bank of Japan's discount rate more than doubled from 2.5 per cent to 6 per cent in less than a year.

The international recession became an enduring slump in Japan because the crash in property and stock prices ruined the banking system and left a shortage of credit. That slashed investment abroad, helping the yen to double in value against the dollar at one point, hit exports and turned profit to loss.

Years of negligible 0.5 per cent money rates and heavy public pump-priming

finally dragged the yen down and the economy up last year, but attempts to rebalance the budget now menace the recovery. A rise in consumption tax on April I produced a mini-spree in advance, followed by empty stores since. Output fell 29 per cent in the April-to-June quarter, double the growth in January to March, querying the 1.9 per cent annual growth forecast for 1997-98. The Nikkei fell 8.6 per cent this week.

With Japan's home economy flat and Asian "tiger" markets in trouble, only exports to Noth America and Europe are buoyant. Political trouble is already resurfacing as trade surpluses grow month by month. There will doubtless be pressure to raise the discount rate and boost the yen again.

ddly, this could be good for everyone. Japanese investors have discovered that inflation is by no means the only enemy. The majority are retired people who live off the returns on their savings rather than pensions, much as new generations will have to here. They have no money to spend. Deposit rates are niggardly, tenyear bond yields dipped below 2 per cent at the end of August, believed to be the lowest in any developed country since 1941, shares remain depressed and still yield only 0.75 per cent in dividend.

Doubtless, this is a hiccup and Japanese shares will eventually make up lost ground. But that could have been said two years ago and more. The brave move in at times of maximum gloom, as now. The trouble is that, as now, such gloom always looks so well-founded.



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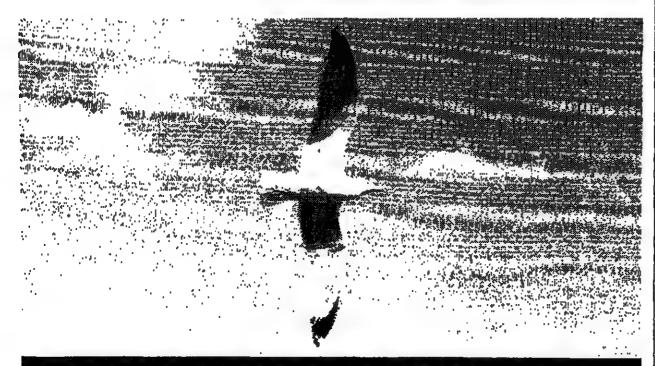
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ony Fitzpatrick, managing director of a media marketing consultancy. discovered only last week what an expensive risk it can be not to have pet insurance. On Sunday. August 31, he discovered his sixmonth-old kitten, Mouse, left badly injured after having been hit by a car outside his

flat in Bow, East London. Mr Fitzpatrick took the kitten to his nearest 24-hour veterinary hospital for emergency treatment. The kitten stayed overnight and was put on a drip. On the Monday, the kitten was anaesthetised and X-rays taken, which showed a broken femur. It also was suffering from a bruised shoulder and bladder. An operation took place on Tuesday. The

total bill including VAT came to £569,88. Payment was due immediately on receipt of the invoice.

"When I took Mouse and my other kitten to the vet for inoculation. I did pick up a form for pet insurance thinking what a good idea it sounded. Unfortunately. didn't have time to act on it before it was too late." said Mr Fitzpatrick. "I hadn't realised that an animal so small could incur such costs. In a way I was lucky: if it had broken its shoulder or damaged itself further, the hill could have been tripled."

Both kittens are now insured. However, if his injured kitten has any repercussions from the accident, a claim cannot be



Lizanne Rose looks at the insurance options for animal lovers

# Pet peace of mind

Lin British homes. Just one in eight of these, and the other animals we keep as pets, are insured. About a dozen companies operate in the E100 million pet cover market. the best known being Pet Plan. Pet insurance is not cheap: you can expect to pay Ello a year to cover a dog for vet's fees, theft and accidental death.

If your Fido is a mongrel. then you can expect a discount as crossbreeds suffer fewer ailments than their pedigree chums. Paws, part of Jardine. the insurance broker, has a

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The older your pet, the more expensive the cover. Insurers. with the exception of Woolwich Pet Guard, will almost always raise the premium for dogs over the age of eight. Petsurance will not cover any cat or dog over ten.

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of the amount claimed. You cannot recover the cost of vaccinations (except for complications), preventative treatment, neutering or pregnancy or if your pet is already suffering from an illness or ailment. If you lose your pet, all policies provide towards its recovery costs which could include advertising and offering a reward. If your pet has permanently strayed or has been stolen, you would receive its purchase price.

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Tim Sangster, managing director of Exotic Direct, the exotic animal insurer, says that for first-time owners insurance will offer peace of mind. "It is very easy to make a mistake when looking after

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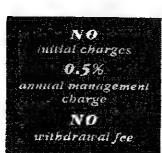
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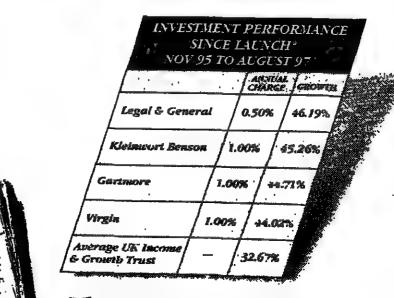
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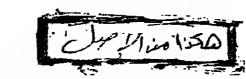
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# Nanny State gets her marching orders

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also for the property market. Some of the changes would hand over yet more responsibility for our future welfare to the insurance industry. Millions must already entrust their retirement savings to insurers. They may also need to rely on them during periods of sickness

and disability (see page 31).
For the insurers, the Government's plans provide another money-making opportunity. In light of their behaviour in the past, they must be prepared for extra regulation, as presumably the Govern-ment has no wish to preside over the next century's mis-selling scandal. Sickness cover is currently un-



ANNE ASHWORTH Personal Finance Editor

regulated. For individuals, these further moves towards the privatisation of welfare will be a wallet-pinching experience. Ministers favour flexible mortgages. When we felt flush, we would repay more in lean times, little or nothing. But as such "payment holidays" would last only for a few months, we would also be compelled to cover our mortgages against redundancy or illness. We may also be obliged to insure our earnings against long-term sickness or disability,

taking out permanent health cover as a substitute for state benefits.

Flexible mortgages are an eminently sensible solution for the selfemployed and contract workers. But some lenders do not find these loans sufficiently profitable and will find ways to charge more.

Mortgage protection cover and permanent health insurance will be yet another strain on household finances. At present, most borrowers pay flat-rate premiums for mortgage cover. If insurance be-

comes compulsory, then compan-ies will base the premium on the risk, meaning higher-cost cover for those in insecure jobs. Those who cannot get insurance, or who cannot afford it, may not be able to get loans and so will be forced to abandon home ownership. This has implications for house prices.

hose who are currently insurable should perhaps buy now while premiums take little account of circumstances. Many families will be hard pressed to afford their mortgages, as well as paying for their sickness cover. The recent cheapest quote for a healthy teacher and her middlemanager husband in their forties was £113 per month. Burdened by such outgoings, will Middle England be able to make the extra pension provision that the Government also desires? I doubt it.

# Charitable Inland Revenue

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has urged the Inland Revenue to give more publicity to the tax reliefs available for charitable donations. His announcement is a response to concerns that the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund could be losing out on tens of millions of pounds because of the public's lack of awareness of the Gov-ernment's Gift Aid scheme. This will pay the fund a tax rebate of £75 on a donation of

Earlier in the week, several readers of The Times had urged the Government to promore the benefits of Gift Aid. Maurice Michaels, a reader from Hove, who had just made a donation to the fund, berated ministers for their failure to point out Gift Aid's advantages. He said: "The Revenue doesn't seem to tell anyone about this scheme. Most people don't know about it even though I know from my own experience that it is quite easy and straightforward to do."

Gift Aid, introduced in 1990, allows a charity to reclaim basic rate tax on one-off donaPatrick Collinson on how Gift Aid can boost donations

tions of £250 or more, with further relief available for higher-rate taxpayers. But take-up of the scheme has been disappointing. Malcolm Bruce, the Liberal

Party's Treasury spokesman, said: "Too little has been done to promote the benefits of Gift Aid, which could give a substantial boost to the memorial fund. Charities and newsnapers could now make people more aware of Gift Aid in order to ... raise the amount available for good causes." All an individual has to do is

fill in a simple Inland Revenue certificate, form Ri90 (SD), which most charities will send to a donor. If the charity does not have the form, it can be obtained from Inland Revenue claims offices in Bootle and Edinburgh. If a donor sends £250 to the

memorial fund, under the Gift Aid scheme this is treated as a gift made net of basic rate tax of 23 per cent. Armed with the certificate, the memorial fund is able to claim back tax from

the gross earnings of the Fitzpatrick says: "If a company donor, earning the fund a rebate of £75.

It does not matter whether the donation is given via cheque, bank transfer or credit card. Nor does it matter if the donation has already been made — the donor simply needs to provide proof of payment (such as a credit card statement) to satisfy the Revenue. The benefits are even great-

er if the donor is a higher-rate taxpayer. Maurice Fitzpatrick, a charity tax specialist of the accountants Chantrey Vellacott, says a 40 per cent taxpayer giving £250 will not only see the memorial fund receiving an extra £75, but will himself receive tax relief amounting to £55, or 17 per cent of £325. Under the Gift Aid scheme, it actually costs a higher-rate taxoaver ES less to give £250 to the fund than if he or she gave E200 and did not qualify for relief.

Companies can also use Gift Aid to give to charities. Mr makes a £1,000 donation, it gives £770 to the charity and pays £230 (equal to hasic rate tax) to the Revenue. The Revenue passes this on to the charity

ne major caveat on Gift Aid is that for a donor to qualify, he or she must be a taxpayer and living in the UK. The minimum gift must be £250, although there is no upper limit. The proceeds of fundraising events and money collected from other people does not qualify. The Inland

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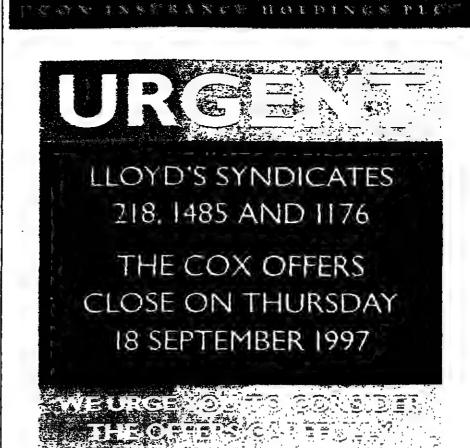
back the full £1,000 against

corporation tax."

Revenue has produced an easyto-read guide on Gift Aid which can be obtained from local Revenue offices.

Gift Aid is not the only taxefficient way of giving to charities. Deeds of covenant are widely used to give small amounts on a regular basis to charities such as churches. There is no minimum donation, but payments must be made at least once a year for four years to qualify.

Payroll deduction schemes offered by employers allow donors to give direct from their pre-taxed earnings up to £1,200 to the charities of their choice. A monthly donation of, say, £10 through Give As You Earn, the largest scheme of this type, costs the donor only £7.70, or £6 for higher-rate taxpayers.



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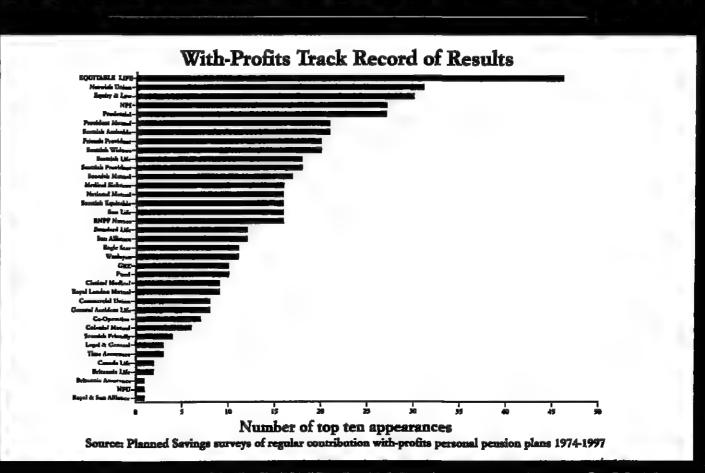
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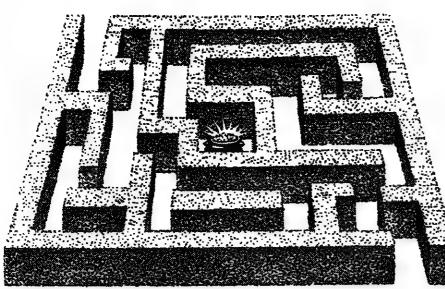
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The Tessa's future is now as fragile in the hands of the Government as Jessica Lange's was in the hands of King Kong

Clare Stewart finds the account's attraction undiminished

# Investors hold Tessa in the highest esteem

fans remains undimmed. Since the launch of the tax-exempt special savings account in 1991, 4.5 million savers have seized the opportunity to shield their interest from the Revenue. Under current rules, you can invest up to £9,000 over five years and receive all your interest tax-free, provided the capital remains untouched. At the end of the five-year period, you can transfer the capital, but not the accumulated interest. nto a new Tessa to continue to enjoy the tax £450 million in tax.

The element of uncertainty arrived with the Budget when Gordon Brown, the Chan-

The future of the Tessa may be cellor, announced that a new tax-free uncertain but the enthusiasm of her scheme, the individual savings account (Isa), would be launched in April 1999. This, it is promised, will take the principles of Tessas and personal equity plans (Peps) one stage further. The Government says it will offer "an exciting and important opportunity to shape savings for everyone, not just existing Tessa and Pep investors".

The Revenue, together with the Treasury having canvassed views from financial advisers, is now working on a consultation document which will be issued towards the end of the year. More detailed proposals are expected by mid-1998. In advance of these proposals, the Personal Investment Authority (PIA), the investor watchdog, has warned

Tessas as if a closing down sale were in progress. The prospect of change has prompted speculation that Tesses and Peps may be rolled into the new Isa or altered in some other way to reduce their attractions.

The possibility of such changes within two years might be thought enough to put off investors. Instead a number of building societies are reporting strong demand for Tessas, perhaps because of the above average rates available but also because investors want to make the most of the tax breaks while they can. Norwich & Peterborough Building Society is among those saying that the shadow over Tessa's future seems to cause little concern to customers.

Investment professionals are also taking a sanguine view. "Our advice to clients is to keep going with Tessas," says Mark Bolland at Chamberlain de Broe, the independent financial advisers. The likelihood is that, whatever new scheme comes in, there will be the facility to transfer existing holdings across." Others are similarly relaxed about the prospect of big changes for Tessas. "I cannot imagine that they will stop, and it would seem fair that Tessas should run for their full five years." said Graham Hooper at Chase de Vere. Alastair Altham of Johnson Fry, the fund manager, said: "Investors should continue with Tessas. It would be extraordinary if the Government decided retrospectively to remove tax reliefs:

Ince the beginning of this month, Tessa rates have been rising, as banks and building societies raised their investment rates in response to the increase in base rates. Some of the more generous rates are being paid by smaller building societies. Unfortunately, many will only accept local customers, as they wish to protect their mutual status from carpetbaggers. Others, such as the Cardiff-based Principality, allow locals to open accounts with £500. The Principality Tessa pays 7.65 per cent. Everyone else needs £2.500.

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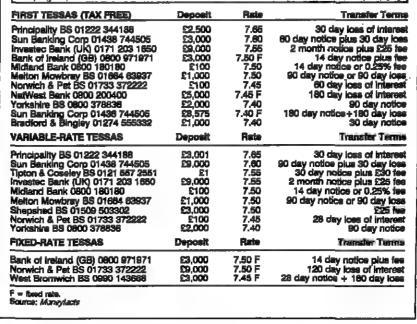
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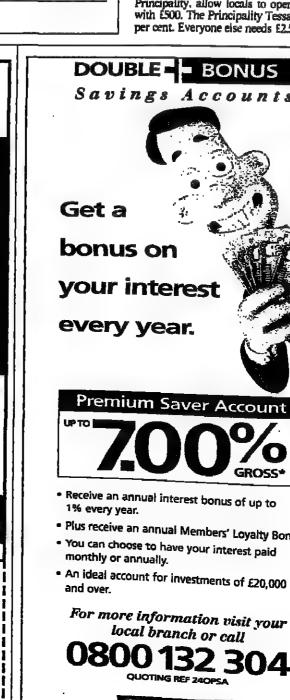
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# Revenue clarifies Pep transfers into Isas

Helen Pridham says a major Budget uncertainty has been removed

ment that spelt the de-mise of the Tessa was also the beginning of the end for the Pep As highlighted in statement caused some dismay among advivers who have been demanding to know more about how the transition between the two tax-exempt schemes and the new independent savings account (Isa) would be handled. Many were irritated at being left in limbo without any hard facts on which to base their advice.

However, Don Clark of Pepdirect has now received a reply to a letter to the Inland Revenue. This states that Pep investors will be able to transfer into the Isa, thus clarifying one of the uncertainties created by the Chancellor's speech.

Although no detail of the terms of the conversion are given, Mr Clark feels the reply positive for Pep investors. He said: "The way it reads to me is that Peps will continue. albeit with a different name and within a different tax environment."

However, Mr Clark points out that the letter does not make clear whether Pep investors will be able to switch all or only a limited amount of their existing holdings into the new savings scheme, or exactly what form the "favourable tax environment" promised for Isas in the Budget will take.

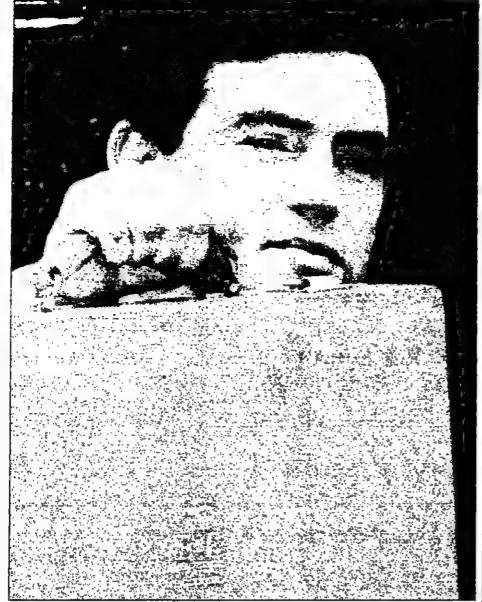
There is also no clarification of the status of corporate-bond Peps, which makes it especially difficult for people reaching retirement who are looking for investments that will provide a supplementary income.

Peter Emms, group marketing director at M&G, the UK's second-largest Pep provider. said: "Although the Government announced that dividend tax credits will no longer be paid to Pep investors after April 5, 1999, there was no mention of the abolition of income tax credits on corporate-bond Peps. We are not sure whether this means that



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Beginning of the end for Peps: Gordon Brown before his announcement on Budget day

this class of Pep may possibility continue unchanged or not." Yet in spite of these uncertainties, the consensus among Pep providers and advisers is that investors should continue to buy Peps. Graham Hooper of Chase de Vere, the adviser, said: "You can only plan for what you know and not what you don't know. If you analyse an investor's needs and decide a certain type of investment is appropriate, you must then look for the most tax-efficient chase it. In the case of unit trusts, a Pep is often cheaper

certainly would not dissuade investors from buying this type of Pep.
"With investment trusts or shares, the investor may have to pay an extra charge for the Pep wrapper. If the tax benefits do not outweigh the extra charges in the short term — which is certainly a danger for basic-rate taxpayers investing in low-vielding shares - then

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answer." he added. Today, unit trust Peps make up the vast bulk of plans sold and Jason Hollands, of BESt Investment Brokers, said: "The worst ease scenario is that there are no more tax benefits after 1999 but even if this is the case most people who have bought unit trusts will still have a joily good investment."

hilip Warland, directorgeneral of the Association of Unit Trusts and unit trust Peps are still worth having. "We want people to understand there is uncertainty but I don't think it should be overplayed and so far it does not appear to have put people off buying unit trust Peps." He is confident that unit trusts will be included in Isas and that their role may even be expanded with cash trusts available within the new framework.

Many in the investment industry are expecting the Government to put some limit on the amount that can be

invested in Isas. Figures of £50,000 to £100,000 have been mentioned. But as Mr Hoilands said: "We believe that even the Conservatives would have put a cap on Peps at some point because of the increasing amount of tax the Government was forgoing." Investors who have man-

aged to put the maximum amounts into Peps for many years could be affected by such limits. According to Chase de Vere, someone who had put the eral and single-company Peps could now have a portfolio of £200,000-£300,000. But people should not be put off by the fear that may exceed the limit, says Simon Philip, of Binder Hamlyn, the accountant. "Investors who don't take up their Pep allowances will be pretty sick if they find out they could have converted them all into

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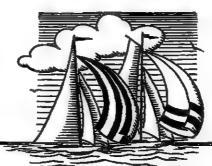
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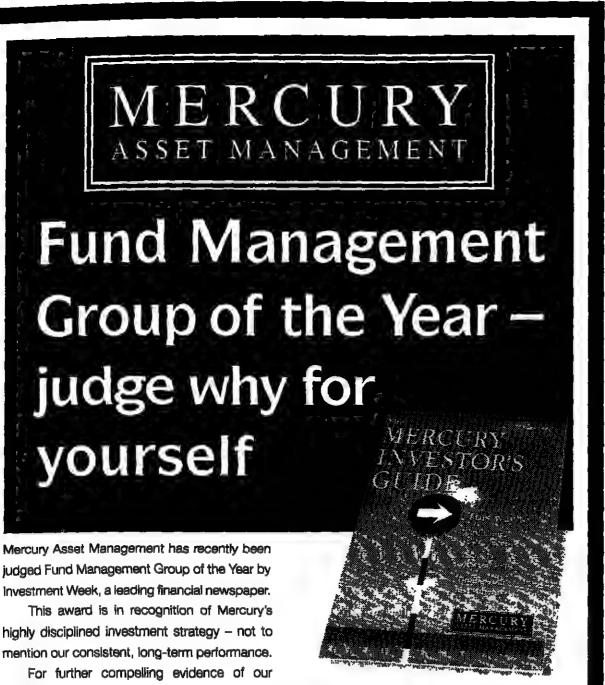
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Pension providers must get their priorities right

Not all mis-selling victims are made

aware of their rights, says Karen Zagor

vidence is emerging that individuals potentially entitled to compensation for being mis-sold pensions may not have been contacted and informed of their rights.

At present, life companies are concentrating on the most urgent pension compensation cases, namely those who have retired or are close to retirement age. Possible mis-selling victims include anyone who received advice on a personal pension between April 28, 1988, and June 30, 1994, and who either transferred from or left their employer's scheme and bought a private pension or did not join an employer's scheme as a result of advice.

Until receiving a telephone call from The Times. Guardian Insurance had not considered Lesley Ireland, a senior midwifery sister, as a potential case for compensation, although one of its salesmen persuaded her to transfer her benefits from the National Health Service pension scheme with its unusually generous benefits for those who retire early through ill-health.

At 47. Mrs Ireland is too young to

qualify as a priority case. But osteo-arthritis, which drove her to give up work five years ago, has forced her into early retirement, making it essential that her situation be clarified as soon as

The confused state of Mrs Ireland's pension affairs came to light only when she contacted The Times. It emerged that not only had she continued to make pension contributions, even though she was no longer working, a contravention of Inland Revenue regulations that Guardian probably should have spotted, but that she had also been removed from the NHS scheme.

Mrs Ireland said: "I wrote to Guardian when I first became too ill to work. But they never told me that I shouldn't



be paying into the pension." Recently she contacted the company, asking about early retirement, and it sent her a pension offer. It also offered to reimburse her overpaid contributions.

After the intervention of The Times, Guardian has promised to look into Mrs Ireland's case. Julia Leisching, a Guardian spokeswoman, said: "Mrs Ireland was not in the group that the Securities and Investments Board (SIB), the industry watchdog, said to review. But because her case is an oddity, we will look at it to see if there any disadvantage of her transferring

We will now recalculate her pension, taking out the premiums she should not have paid. She will then be eligible to take early retirement. We can also speed up the return of the overpayments, plus interest.

Anyone who thinks that they may have been mis-sold a pension and has not been contacted by us can write to us and we will include them with the priority cases."

The Department of Health has been particularly concerned about compensating NHS employees who were missold personal pensions. It is estimated that tens of thousands of people may have been victims of mis-selling, yet only 200 have been reinstated in the NHS Pensions Scheme.

The SIB is now carrying or awareness campaign and the NHS is one of the groups it is targeting. An SIB insert, explaining the pensions review. was sent out in the pay packets of nurses in August. The campaign will be extended to nurses in Scotland in

eanwhile, Guardian says that it has special software just to. calculate the value of pensions for people who transferred out of

Anyone who thinks that he or she has been mis-sold a personal pension should contact his or her pension provider. Those who are unhappy about how the firm is dealing with the complaint or who need to discuss the situation should ring the PlA Helpline on 0171-417 7001. For an SIB factsheet about the pension

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insurance industry of a new aimed at compensating thousands of people who were missold personal pensions. However, a leading firm of solicitors acting for hundreds of pensions mis-selling victims claims that the schemes could be seriously flawed.

Those policyholders who end up being compensated through this method could finish much worse off than

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tional schemes. If the occupational schemes refuse to reinstate the personal pension: policyholders, the policyholders are guaranteed that they Hence, the appeal to the life will not suffer any financial loss as a result of being sold the product in the first place. Companies that offer guar-

antees must continue to try to get the policyholders reinstated into their occupational

Three companies have so far introduced guarantees. These are Prudential, Legal & General and now Norwich Union. Ringrose Wharton, the solicitors, said: "It is unrealistic to ... think that the SIB or any. successor body will still be in

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# Take stock of the jargon

ecoming a shareholder means learning a new language. In part two of Weekend Money's investment guide for beginners, we explain the jargon of the prices pages and stock market reports, two vital sources of information for those who wish to keep track of the performance of their investments.

We also explain what the influences are behind the movements of share

#### SHARES

An average investor will hold ordinary shares in a company. This means that you own a part of that company whether you have one share or one million. Shareholders as uwners therefore have a stake in both the risks and rewards of the

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In return for risking capital. and provided the company is prospering, a shareholder receives income in the form of a dividend payment.

The amount of the payment usually announced at the half year and year-end results. The ordinary shareholder is also entitled to vote on aspects of company policy pur before the annual meeting as well as on important changes such as any proposed takeover or merger plans.

#### PRICE LISTINGS

Information on prices can be obtained in various ways, including from the City and business pages of newspapers and the Internet.

In The Times share listings, alongside the company name will be shown the previous day's closing price in pence, the change during the day and the year's highest and lowest price. If a share price has xd after it, that means ex-dividend, and anyone buying the shares will not receive the most recent dividend.

#### CAPITALISATION

In the Monday edition of The Times the market capitalisation is shown — the company's total value, calculated by multiplying the share price by the

Clare Stewart helps novice shareholders to find their way around the prices pages

The yield column in share listings is used to assess company performance and prospects and for comparisons with similar businesses. The yield figure shows your income if

you invest in the company.

High yields should show a company that is giving a good income from its dividends but has less chance of future dividend growth while a low yield should show a fast-growing company which has the possibility of making higher profits in the future and thus paying higger dividends.

#### P/E RATIO

A sometimes more reliable way of comparing companies is through their price/earnings, or P/E, ratios. This looks

They will mention sentiment. INVESTMENT which means the mood of the A GUIDE market. This may reflect the influence of the American Wall Street market, or it might BEGINNERS! be a response to encouraging

at potential carnings growth of a company - comings being the net profit available to shareholders decided by the number of shares in issue. Broadly speaking, a high price/earnings ratio shows a business with good growth pretential. A low ratio indicates one with less dynamic prospects or one that is operating in a high-risk market.

#### REPORTS

Market reports show shares that changed the most and those most heavily traded. general sentiment.

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There may also be reference o secondary stocks or secondliners. These are the slightly smaller groups outside the top 100 listing. These are classified under a number of indices starting with the FTSE 250, while the index for all quoted share index. In total there are 2,174 quoted companies, together valued at more than

#### ANALYSTS

A report will often say that shares in a company reacted to an analyst's note. Analysts, often highly paid and power-ful people at their stockbrokfirms, study companies within different sectors.

Their task is to make recommendations to their clients. primarily institutions, as to whether a share should be bought or sold. Their advice influences other investors, affecting demand for the share.





Tina Lomax and Mark Hewitt, members of Victoria Investments Club, one of the two

### Share prices driven by institutions

n the simplest terms share prices tend to rise when there are more buyers A than sellers. Prices are driven by the demand of both private investors instructing stockbrokers to buy and sell on their behalf, but more importantly by the large institutional investors, such as the pension funds and insurance companies

which have billions of pounds to invest. The desirability of a company's shares to investors can be affected by any number of factors. Typically these will include details of how well the company is performing, announced through half-year and full-year results; how much it is paying shareholders through dividends: the appointment or departure of key

members of the management team; the launch of a new product; or the gain or luss of important contracts.

Speculation that a company is about to receive a takeover bid will also drive share prices higher, though conversely plans announced by a company to buy a rival may knock its price lower. If the cost of the move is thought to be too high it could affect its ability to increase dividend payments. The company's share price will react to general as well as specific factors. Interest rate changes, for example, are very important, as are UK economic data and surveys. A report on the housing market may affect shares in housebuilders, for example, while a

report saying consumer confidence is booming may lift shares in retailers.

Share prices also react to world events and trends in other stock markets, in particular the Dow Jones industrial average in America while, as was seen recently, the turmoil in the Far Eastern currency markets affected shares of those companies with a particular exposure to those countries such as HSBC, owner of

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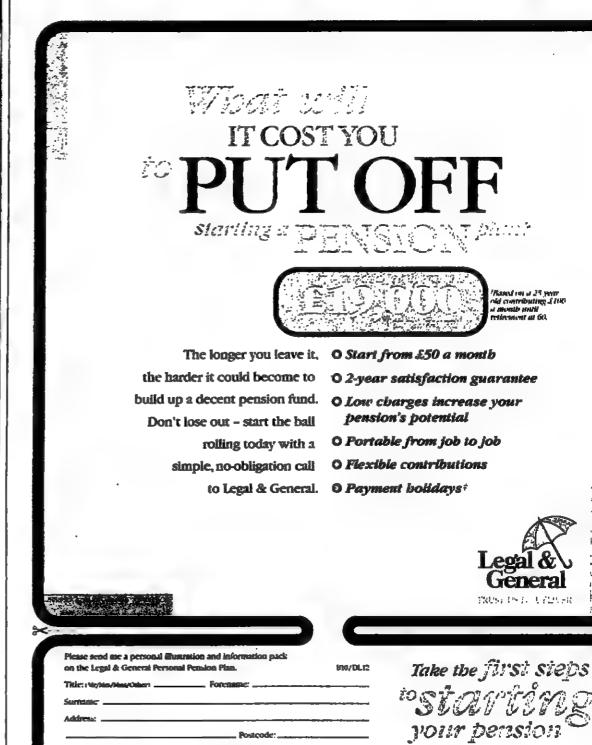
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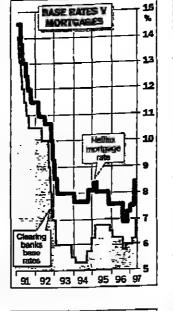
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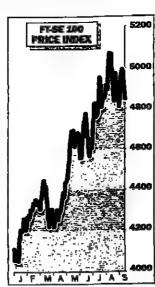
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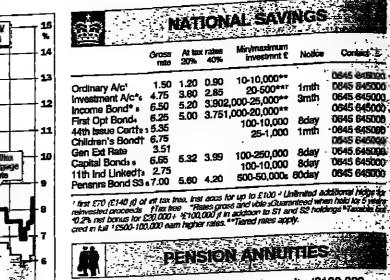
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PrudentialLevel		E 9.452	210,374	£11,6
SINGLE LIFE	Fernale:	Age 60	Age 65	Age
		£8,977	£ 9,782	£10.9
PrudentialLevel		£9,010	€ 9,729	\$10.8
Norwich UnLevel		\$8,697	£ 9,618	£10,8
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Canada LifeLevel Sun Lif of CanLevel		28,509	€ 9,362	210,4
	Male:	Age 60	Age 65	Age
JOINT LIFE, 2/3 WIDOWS (level annuity)	Female:	Age 55	Age 60	Age
Noowich Un Level		£8,567	£9,097	£ 8,7
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PrudentialLevel		28,295	£8,921	29,8
Canada LifeLevel		28,225	£8,873	€ 9,7
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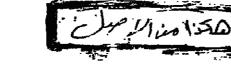
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DIY pension

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one another

From Mr M. Bullock.

Sir. The introduction of a second-tier compulsory pen-

sion will be a necessary but

incomplete solution to the pro-

blem of inadequate retirement

income. Contributions will be

set too low to sustain many pensioners for 30 to 40 years.

What is missing is a user-

by which anyone, voluntarily,

can contribute directly to an-

other's retirement fund. The

wish to put assets to work for

the eventual benefit of another

is not confined to a narrow

socio-economic affluent group

familiar with accumulation

and maintenance trusts.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL BULLOCK,

16 Byron Drive,

Wickham Bishops. Witham, Essex.

### **WEEKEND MONEY LETTERS**

### Where are the monthly prizes from my 20,000 Premium Bonds?

From Mr C.A. Ingram
Sir, Ernie should be sending
me, and every other holder of
20,000 Premium Bonds, a prize every munth. However, this claim by National Savings, together with the one that every bond has an equal chance of winning, must be treated with a large degree of scepticism.

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By Lizanne Rose

AE BUYERS

According to the sales booklet a holder of 20,000 honds should expect to receive a total of 13 prizes per year - an average of one per month. Prorata, a block of 5,000 would be expected to win three or four prizes, yet one of my blocks of 5.000 has failed to win any prize in 13 months.

A set of 15,000 bonds, (in-

5.0(a) and another consecutive one £5.0(0), has failed to win any prize in seven months. Again this is at variance with the claim that every bond enjoys an equal probability of one in 19,000 of winning in every draw. If these odds were correct then the probability of 15.000 honds not winning a prize in seven months would be zero (or 0.004 to be more precises. The probability of a 5,000 block not winning a prize in 13 months is 0.3.

cluding the above block of

Contrary to the 13 prizes expected, only six, amounting to £400, have been received, ie, an annual return of only 2 per cent - less than the rate of inflation, implying a negative investment. A total of £750 from the expected II prizes of £50 and 2 of £100 would at least be a positive return on capital but my experience belies the claim that Premium Bonds are a serious investment.

As always, it seems the many unpublicised losers are subsidising the few big win-ners. It is, of course, all a question of statistics. The main winner, provided the odds are correctly calculated, is the bookie — or in this case. National Savings. Yours faithfully ALAN INGRAM.

#### Il North Grange Road. Bearsden,

Glasgow.

### Agents do not prolong the housebuying process

From The President. The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors Sir. I must take issue with Anne Ashworth in her Weekend Money comment (Clean-

ing up housing suap opera. August 30). Estate agents certainly do not have a vested interest in prolonging the househoving process. Our clients employ us to secure the best price in the

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is our objective. Admittedly, delay can occur between offer and completion but this is the remit of a whole complex of illdefined reasons which are unlikely to be solved by one inidative alone

The Government reorgaises this and has set up an inquiry into the whole transactional process and that is why my profession, along with others involved, is ex-operating shortest possible time and that wholeheartedly with Hilary

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Armstrong's team in facilitating that research. Our intention, in so doing, is to fulfil our clients' instruc-

tions more cost-effectively and

efficiently. Yours faithfully, PETER MCKENDRICK, The President. The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, 12 Great George Street, Parliament Square.

#### Not my type at all

Sir, My per hate is the "Up to X%" in giant type in advertise-ments for bank and building society savings accounts. The rate is very high but only by perusing the small print does one discover that it only applies to sums of £100,000 or more. Do advertisers take us for idiots or are we idiots to be taken in by such a ploy? Yours faithfully. AVRIL FOX.

From Mrs A. Fox

126 Edgwarebury Lune, Edgware. Middlesex.

### Breathtaking bonus rate

Very laudable ... a 1st class stamp on your Thanks'



From Mrs K.A. Smith £10,000 and 6.25 per cent on Sir, I was interested to read £20,000. your comment on the Bri-

My immediate reaction after getting the letter was to withdraw a large sum from Britannia tieaving a halance in case of privatisation) in layour of converted building societies.

C&G are paying 7 per cent on £1,000 and Abbey National 7.25 per cent on £10,000 (all postal accounts which I found more convenient — there is a box at the end of the road).

It was, however, that letter which cut through the general inertia we all feel about moving accounts. Yours faithfully, K. SMITH. 17 Riviera Apartments.

Off Boskerris Road, I have checked again Carbis Bay, today and the interest rates are still 5.75 per cent on Cornwall

### THE WEEK IN MONEY

Jannia Building Society

finstant turn-off. August

30). I would like to point out

that they aren't all that

generous to their good regu-

With a balance rarely

under £20,000 in 1996, the

much vaunted loyalty bon-us came to £34.93 (net).

Then in August I received

another letter saying it was now decided to include

Permanent Interest Bearing

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NORWICH UNION became the latest insurance company to offer a guaranteed scheme for those who have been mis-sold a personal pension. The insurance company has said it is reviewing more than 6,000 personal pension policies and is offering the scheme in an effort to meet a deadline set by the Treasury for dealing with priority cases. However, a leading firm of lawyers has criticised such guaranteed schemes as full

☐ Colette Bowe, chief executive of the Personal Investment Authority, announced on Tuesday that she had decided to resign from the PIA and would not be apply-

of potential loopholes.

ing for any of the top jobs in Newro, the Government's planned single financial services regulator. Her statement has stunned the financial services industry, coming less than two months before Howard Davies is due to announce his "super-SIB" management team. Ms Bowe had been criticised in March by the House of Commons' all-party Treasury Committee for the PIA's slowness in resolving the £4 billion pen-

☐ Mortgage lenders have been urged by the Government to take responsibility for providing an insurance

sions mis-selling scandal,

which is believed to have affected up to 1.5 million

who fall on hard times. Hilary Armstrong, Housing Minister, said on Monday that it must be for the lenders and insurers to take the lead in ensuring that homebuyers are better protected.

☐ In a co-ordinated move. the Bank of England and the firms run by a Gloucester financial adviser suspected of carrying out unlicensed deposit-taking, by obtaining an njunction against Peter John Naylor, who trades as Naylor Financial Services and Navior Investment Services. He is prevented from marketing or conducting a deposit-taking business or disposing of his assets.

#### **CGT ALLOWANCES — JULY 1997**

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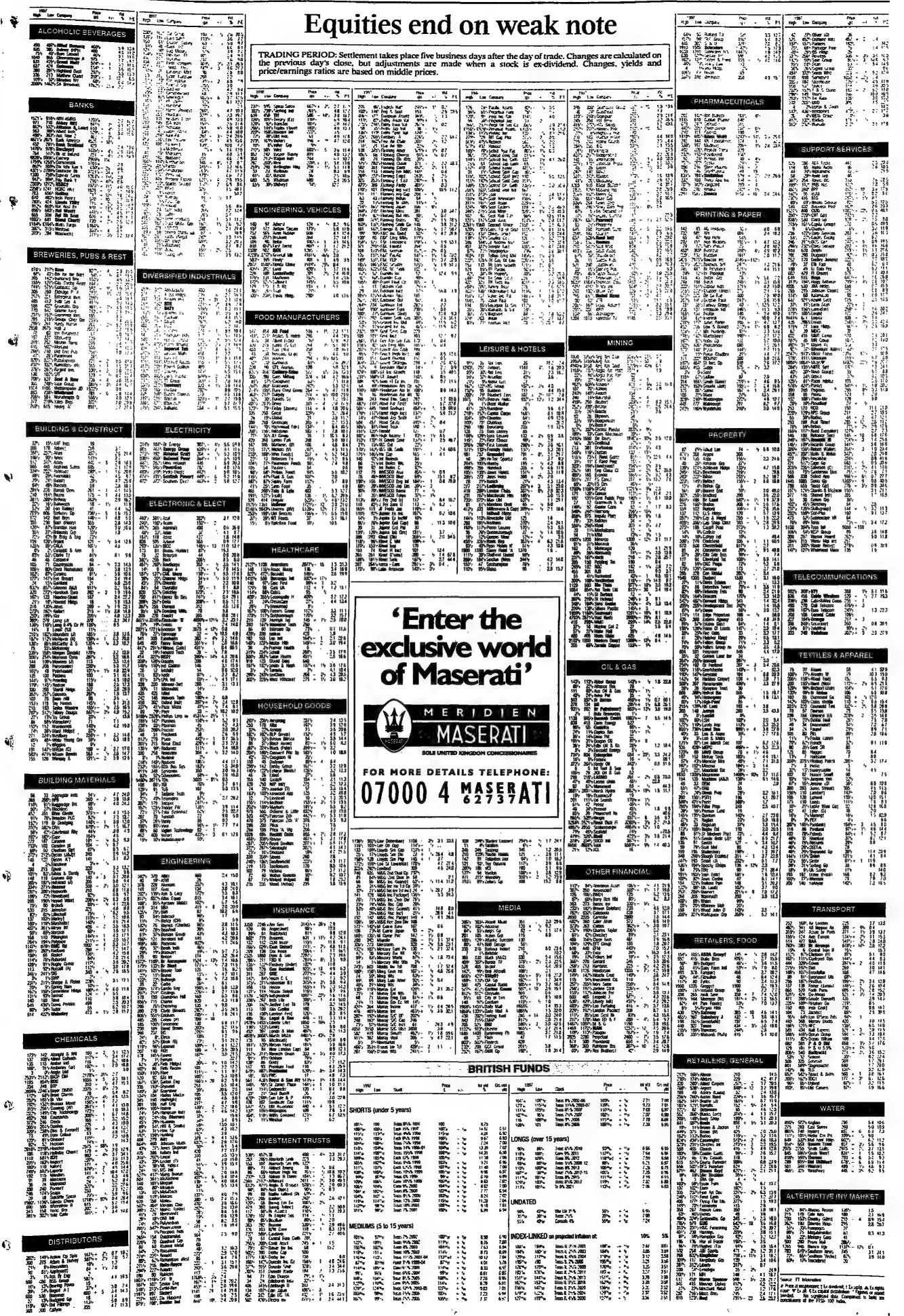


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### Stowaway to justify classic confidence

By RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

A SEASON which started badly for the Godolphin team before normal service was resumed can end with a classic flourish this afternoon at Doncaster, where Stowaway is strongly fancied to win the Pertemps St Leger.

The significant turnaround in the fortunes of the Sheikh Mohammed-inspired operation means that the disappointments of the May meeting at York, which

3.40 PERTEMPS ST LEGER STAKES

(Group I: 3-Y-Q: £157,398. 1m 6! 132yd) (11 runners)

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(10) 9-2221 SHAYA 31 (C) Hill Malatoum W Hear 9-0 R Hills 91 (chic Nashwari - Chenarni (Floyal blue, white epaulets, singled calp).

1-211 STOWAWAY 25 (F.G) (Godolphin) S ban Serool 9-0 ... L Dettori 123

Silver Pairterch 11-4 Vertical Speed -3-1 Slowsway, 16-1 Berliege, 12-1 Windsor Castle, 14-1 6-1 The Fly, 20-1 Poseition, 25-1 Haltarra, Book Al Bedüme, 33-1 Staya

(b c Pour Falcon - Nastassia) (Dank blue, whole stars, whole sleeves, clerk blue stars, white cap)

igr c Sacidiars' Hall - Early Risingl (Red and rayal blue (quartered), white sleaves, black cap)

(b c Shp Anchor - On Credit) (Rayal blue)

(b f Mioto - Alota) (Yellow, black disc, check cap)

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Stakes (good to soft), previously 31 4th to Medady in 1m group if stakes (good to soft), previously 31 4th to Medady in 1m group if stakes (good to firm). Shaya bed Basman 14th in 14th Sandown maiden stakes (good) from Stowaway beat Silver Patrianch (levels) 14th in 14th Sandown maiden stakes (good). The Ry 271 9th to Desort King in 14th Curragh Irish Derby (good to soft). Verifical Speed beat Book At Badfinna (levels) 41 in 1m71 Medisgns-Latitite group if stakes (soin). Windsor Castle 3441 3rd to Double

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3.40 Vertical Speed

4.15 Banningham Blade

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2.45 Green Card 3.20 Soviet Leader

Timekeeper's top rating: 5.15 INCHALONG.

Derby. However, he did not prompted the stable to shut up reappear until the end of July. shop temporarily, are a diswhen he put up a sparkling tant memory. Boosted by the display to win the Gordon success of Swain in the King George VI and Queen Eliza-Stakes at Goodwood by three beth Diamond Stakes, the old

in May he had avoided the malaise which was afflicting so many of his stablemates and ran sufficiently well to warrant thoughts about the

BIG RACE LINE-UP

lengths and enter St Leger calculations. confidence has returned. Nonetheless, he needed to When Stowaway made his improve again when he met seasonal reappearance back

Silver Patriarch, runner-up to Benny The Dip in the Derby, in the group two Great Voltigeur Stakes at York 25 days ago. The necessary progress was forthcoming and the Slip Anchor colt showed admirable resolution to win by half a length. Silver Patriarch was short of peak fitness that day, having missed an important piece of work, and the John Dunlop team is more than hopeful that they can turn the tables, especially over this longer trip.

However, Simon Crisford, Godolphin's racing manager, is adamant Stowaway will confirm the form. "He's a better horse than he was at York, I am sure Silver Patriarch has improved but he will have to be much better if he is to turn the tables.

Stowaway is on the upgrade and has passed every examination we have set him with flying colours. He has impressed us since York and at no stage do we feel we have got to the bottom of him. We don't think we have seen the best of him."

An impressive workout with Alhaarth and Tulipa has boosted Godolphin's faith that Stowaway can provide Frankie Dettori with his third successive St Leger success. We don't harbour any doubts about him getting the trip. He gives the very strong impres-

3.05 PORCELANOSA RATED HANDICAP

3.40 PERTEMPS ST LEGER STAKES (Group I; 3-Y-0; £183,776; 1m 61 132yo) (11 runners)

4.15 POLYPIPE PLC FLYING CHILDERS STAKES (Group II; 2-Y-0: £25,670: 51) (7 runners)

Long herdings: Pomona 8-3, Al Asher 8-1, Hawai 7-11 BETTING: 7-2 Sunion Hercount, 4-1 Yorko George, 9-2 Restructure, 8-1 Russian Music, Jo Mail, 10-1 others.

RESTRUCTURE will be well suited by this return to a mile

RUNNERS AND RIDERS - SEE ABOVE

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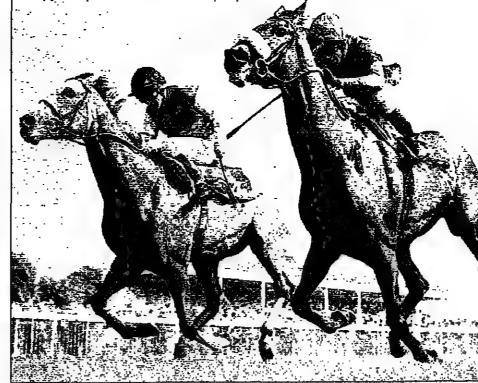
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(£13,534; 1m str) (11 runners)



Stowaway, right, and Silver Patriarch, renew last month's York rivalry in the St Leger today

will be within his compass."

Silver Patriarch, who won over ten furlongs as a twoyear-old, will relish the step up in trip and is the strict form choice judged on his Epsom run, but in Stowaway and Vertical Speed he faces two lightly raced and most progressive individuals.

Vertical Speed's three successes have been achieved on soft ground and the form of his last victory was boosted by the hard-fought success of the runner-up, Book At Bedtime, in the Park Hill Stakes at Doncaster on Wednesday, AnRICHARD EVANS

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BETTIME: 8-1 Song Di Freedom, 7-1 Cope Petrie, 8-1 Fahs, 10-1 Kuala Lytes, Dearms End. Chael Microscob, Eden Halgins, 12-1 others

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Custo Lipia 6/41 5th to Amyas in 14 im York handicap (good)
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with My Lewicle (levels) 141 10th and Mattimeo (levels) 281 last.
Dreams End 3/11 16th to Far Ahead in 19 im York handicap (good). Chayell 3/41 3rd to Mohawk River
in 16 im Newmarket handicap (good). Well 5/81 8th to Labeq in 15 im Newmarket handicap (good in 6/11) with interpretal handicap (good in 6/11) and interpretation 2/41 2nd to Princess Topaz in 14 im Newmarket ladies handicap (good) Faha 6/14 3rd to Present Sutution in 1mW Eposom hundicap (good in 6/11) fam Newmarket ladies handicap (good) Faha 6/14 3rd to Present Sutution in 1mW Eposom hundicap (good in 6/11). Sheer Fisce 2/1 2nd to Sweet Fortune in 1m Thirsk immited stakes (good). Shadool 3/16th to Song Of Freedom (4/b worse off) in 14 im Newbury handicap (good in 6/11). Mcgatycuddy Reeks
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5.15 H L BROWN DIAMOND NURSERY HANDICAP

(2-Y-0: £5,166: 61) (16 runners)

Nap: STOWAWAY (3.40 Doncaster) Next best: Grand Chapeau (3.20 Goodwood)

dré Fabre has said that the Bering colt is inferior, at this stage of his career, to Toulon. who won this race for him in 1991. However, he will be hard to keep out of the frame.

Of the outsiders, The Fly makes most appeal, having finished fifth in the Derby under a less than inspired

4.45 LADBROKE HANDICAP

ride. Barry Hills has his string in good order. Besiege, who made the frame in the Royal Lodge Stakes and Racing Post Trophy last year, is bred to be suited by this trip. Henry Cecil's runner has attracted significant ante-post support despite having not raced since finishing tailed off in the Classic Trial at Sandown in April, when he cracked a bone

in a hind joint. However. Stowaway, who is having only the fifth race of his career, is the most progressive runner in the field and is taken to justify the Godolphin confi-

Dip's. It was in front a stride after the post, too. At the line, however, the photo-finish revealed Benny The Dip flaring a decisive nostril. Winfield was not merely stoic. He congratulated John Gosden, the winning trainer, warmly, feeling privileged to have participated in such high drama. "I don't want to be hypocritical," he said this week. "Of course I wanted the photo to show a different

result, and you couldn't have contained me if it had. But once the verdict has been announced, you have to accept it graciously. All we can do is try our very hardest to win; and I have a feeling that Saturday is going to be his day. He'll love the extra distance, as he always seems to take a while to get to the pace. He likes to

most energetic pounding for football. But first his knees gave out — though not until he was 38 — and then his ears. "I'm not a prude. I served in . the army, but the language and behaviour of the crowd at

Winfield goes for gold with Silver Patriarch

By CHRIS McGRATH

your back garden - which, to be fair, is how the opposition have always done things. The difference is that their idea of a back garden is a nice, medium-sized emirate with convenient access to the Persian Gulf. A gulf must be bridged today by Peter Winfield aged 70, a chartered surveyor whose colours are carried in the Pertemps St Leger by Silver Patriarch. I'm a real plutocrat these days," he says. "I have got

His status as a good sport, not to mention his blood pressure, was thoroughly explored at Epsom in June. when Silver Patriarch ran in the Derby. The grey, hopelessly unsuited by the course's turns and undulations, found himself last at Tattenham Corner, as Benny The Dip launched his dash for home But he gathered momentum in the straight, surging through the whole field until. a stride before the line, he got his nose ahead of Benny The

two mares."

exercise his owner's heart."

That heart once reserved its

IT IS akin to striking oil in football matches a few years ago was unacceptable. I was able to watch Chelsea from the directors' box, but it got to the stage when I decided I was not going to subject myself, or my family, to that sort of thing every Saturday." Winfield says that he is still

fascinated by the "geometry" of football, indicative of the sterniy analytical approach that, during half a century in business, took him from office boy to senior partner. Perhaps that is why he eventually switched his allegiance to racing. Few enterprises so defeat the rational. "Neither of the first two horses I bought, properly assisted by trainer and bloodstock agent,



Winfield: gracious

ever saw a racecourse. That was probably a blessing in disguise, albeit very well disguised at the time, as it taught me that I could expect nothing from racing. Everything since has been a wonderful bonus." The first of those horses he

had offered his wife as a

Christmas present She retorted: "If you want to buy a racehorse, buy it for yourself." Her husband has subsequently enjoyed a succession of useful horses out of the same mare the appropriately named Early Rising. "I find the best part of the day to be between five and nine in the morning. That's when my brain is working properly. You're at peace with the world, you have no interrup-

tions. And I like to learn

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WAYPONIT shauld be suited by the likely strong page and is still well treated



### RACING NEXT WEEK

MONDAY: Musselburgh (first race, 2.10), Nottingham (2.00), Fortwell Park TUESDAY: Sandown Park (2.15) Yar mouth (2 05: Sedgefield (2.25) WEDNESDAY: Beverley (2.25), Sandown Perk (2 15), Yarmouth (2 05) THURSDAY, Ayr (200), Newbury (BEC, 210), Yarmouth (220) FRIDAY: Ayr (2 00), Newbury (BBC, 2 10), Huntingdon (2 20) 2.10), Huntengdon (2.20) SATURDAY, Ayr (C4, 1.55), Gatterick (2.20), Newbury (BBC, 2.00), Wolver-hampton (AW 7.00), Cartisle (1.45) SUNDAY: Haydock Park (2.20), Kempton Park (2.10) Market Rasen (2.00)

Flat meetings in bold

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Achieve 91 4th to Winder Romance in 1m 1f listed race at York (sport) Desert Story 2% One to Borry The Dip in 1m 2t group two at York (sport) Armid Albadic best Winder Romance 51 in 1m 2t group for at York (sport) Armid Albadic best Winder Romance 51 in 1m 2t group for group in 1m 2t Windsor group three (good to firm) Green Card 1% 2 and to Salmon Ladder in 1m 2t Windsor congitions race (good to limit) with Achieve (2t) worse off) 5/41 4th

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23 (15) 0421154 GRAND CHAPEAU 11 (D.F.G) (D Faultrer) D Nicholts (1-6-) . G Daffield	96
24 (14) 0000002 USCLUR 14 (D.F.G) (H Duddin) T Baron 4-7-12	113
25 (23) 0001130 TEA PARTY 9 (8,C,S) (4 R-chards) K Gurrangham-Brown 4-7-13 M Henry (3)	100
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23 (36) 5241550 GOLD EDGE 8 (D.F) (F Chadwids) M Channon 3-7-10 A Poli (5)	87
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1996. CLAM CHEEF 3-3-1 & Clark (8-1) J Arroyd 21 ran

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Always On My Mand bed Mary Magdalene neck in 61 Dimicacler handway (61, good) March Crusader beat Maladerie 34 in 61 Familion handway (63, good) March Crusader beat Maladerie 34 in 61 Short riead in 31 Newmarks I handway (good to soit) Sharp Pearl beat Paby Grones short riead in 31 Newmarks (about 10 farm). Double Oscar beat Title 194 in 51 Cartisle bondway (form) Refit beat 70 Extras (70 better off) neck in 61 Goodwood nandway (good) with Scissor Ridge (55 better off) 344 6th La Petite Fusee 234 3rd to Raata 71 Lingbeld handway (good) Sistemary 13 for handway (good) Grand (Gapeau 234 6th to Stand Tall in 61 Portetred handway (good) to 501). Malade short-head 2nd to Bonfers Sey in 61 Rigan handway (good) Baytin 34 72rd to Montendre in 51 161yd Bafn handway (good) saft Famy Prince (1th belier off) 434 12th

MARCH CRUSADER is a sprinter on the upgrade and has more scope than these

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(2)	6-4110	Paul Eddery HSGH INTRIGUE 25 (F.5) (Ars E Harris) H Gest 3-8-6 W Ryan GREAT TERM 323 (G.S) (J Cartoll) N Babbage 5-7-10 N Muller, (5)	89 95
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(8)		SUCCESS AND GLORY 64 (Thoroughbred Corporation) H Cacil 9-0 W Ryan	85
(13)		TREASURE CHEST 21 (Lord Weinstock) W Horo 9-0 Paul Eddery	_73
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1	(5)		CATCHNAENT (G Harwood) Mrs A Peneti 9-0	-
2	(4)	6-0	OTCX TURPUL 105 (The Oricen) Lord Huntingdon 9 0 W Ryan	85
3	(2)	06	RLE DE LIBRATE 26 (Skampcargo Rucing Partnershop) R O'Sudhiran 9-0	71
4	(19)	04-5606	NORMAN CONDUEST 52 (R Scully)   Balding 9-0 R Cochrane	65
5	(11)		SHOOTING STAR 14 (V) (Sheakh Mohammerch) J Gosdon 9-0	74
Б	131		TOUGH ACT 330 (Mrs R Doel) Mrs A Poneti 9-0	-
7	(7)		ACADEMY STAR 73 (Mr. J. McAllester) J. Farchaire 8-9	82
6	(6)		ARCO COLORA 14 (H Springscld Ltd) D Etsworth 8-9	-
9	(8)		SELVERY 56 (P Wrongham) J Toltor 8-9	70
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1996: RANFEFA 8-9 A McGione (10-1) J Gozdon 12 ran

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### **Desert Story** to return freshened by lay-off

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2.15: Waypoint, tried visured in the Stewards' Cup, reverted to this trip at Salisbury last time but pulled too hard in a slowly-run race (ground not as fast as she likes anyway, and further rain not wanted here). Cosmic Prince, in the adjacent stall, should ensure a decent gallop here. Hello Mister fin-ished clear on the unfavoured far side at Doncaster on Wednesday. Though he has had better fortune with the draw here, he is probably less potent at this distance.

2.45: Fahris, the Derby sixth, found Windsor too sharp last time and it could be a similar story here. He is a real galloping type who could get outpaced in a ractical race. Desert Story, who pulled muscles in the Dante Stakes and has been off since, had by contrast shown enough speed to run sixth in the 2,000 Guineas — and earlier showed that he runs well fresh by winning the Craven on his reappearance.

3.20: Double Oscar, another feather in his trainer's cap, has the help of a high draw; likewise No Extras, who goes well here (21b better off for a head with Rififi on their recent course and distance encounter). March Crusader prefers faster ground than he overcame at Hamilton, but this can be fought out in the middle by Mallia, who has ended a poor sequence and is well treated on his best, and Soviet Leader. Unable to get into the race on soft ground last time, his first start since being gelded, he had previously excelled against Dunetime and Elnadim at Newmarket.

CHRIS McGrath

GOING: GOOD

(Group I: £88,800: 1m 2t) (7 runners)

BETTING, 5-4 Pricedon, 7-4 Desert King, 6-1 Albarth, 10-1 Rayours, 14-1 Senti Guitiner,



TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

#### DONCASTER **CHANNEL 4**

3.05: Stanton Harcourt was not inconvenienced by stepping back to a mile when winning at Newmarket last time and is on the upgrade. With Yeast and Jo Mell likely to contribute to a strong pace, he should go well. By contrast, Yorkie George has been campaigned over six and seven furlongs but has looked as though he would appreciate today's longer trip.

3.40: see facing page.

4.15: Bunningham Blade is weighted to reverse Newbury form with Aurigny but looks exposed and Land Of Dreams is preferred. Although she has been racing over six furlongs. she is blessed with plenty of pace and should be at least as effective over the minimum

4.45: The well drawn Fahs ran with credit over an inadequate trip at Epsom after three lacklustre efforts and looks set to bounce back to the form which saw him win by five lengths over this trip at Sandown in May. Song Of Freedom can be forgiven a moderate run at Sandown two weeks ago where he encountered soft ground for the first

RICHARD EVANS

### LEOPARDSTOWN C4

DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

### 4.00 ESAT DIGIFONE CHAMPION STAKES

1996: TIMARIDA 4-9-1 J P Murtagh (3-1) J Cor 6 ran

Daggers Drawn leaves fourth-placed Carrowkeel in his wake in the Champagne Stakes at Doncaster yesterday

IT IS increasingly evident that Mick Kinane rides against Kieren Fallon with bayonet fixed - and he again supplied a frisson of menace before Daggers Drawn could preserve his unbeaten record at Doneaster yesterday (Chris McGrath

As the Laurent-Perrier Rose Champagne Stakes entered its decisive stage, Fallon was still hemmed in by his compatriot who was riding Saratoga Springs. Though he extricated Daggers Drawn in time to get up by half a length from Docksider, his manoeuvre required formal approval by the stewards.

"I had a nightmure run," Failon said. But it was the way I rade him. The opposition will always prey on the best horse, and Mick Kinane always rides a very tactical race. After being hoxed in,

Frankie Dettori was banned for six days. from September 21 to 26, for irresponsible riding on Leading Note in the Tilney Portfolio Limited Stakes at Goodwood yesterday. Fortunately for Dettori, he will be back to ride at the Ascot Festival of Racing on September 27, the meeting at which he rode all seven winners last year.

my horse has done very well to get out and win. They didn't go very quickly, and you don't get horses winning five or six lengths when that happens. I think he's the best two-year-old we've seen so far." He will attempt to confirm as much in the Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket.

All in all, the messy tactical veneer of vesterday's race distracted from the

fundamental merit of its winner. William Hill even eased Daggers Drawn a point to 6-1 for the 2.000 Guineas, at which price he shares favouritism with King Of Kings. Coral and Ladbrokes both kept him at 5-1, and 8-1 against the Irish colt.

If backers of Daggers Drawn felt some relief to collect, those who had earlier supported another very promising juvenile. City Honours, can only have felt disbelief. He got up in the last stride in the AMCO Corporation Maiden, having left himself half a dozen lengths to make up in the final furlong. Robert Sangster. his owner, said: "We have always thought him our Derby horse, and he's probably the most exciting colt we have had at Manton since Rodrigo De Triano. John Reid said that he had to be very special to accelerate the way he did."

### Peintre Celebre to press Arc claim

BY OUR FRENCH RACING CORRESPONDENT

hance his Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe claim in the Prix Niel at Longchamp tomorrow. Andre Fabre has trained Peintre Celebre with the Arc in mind and this will be the three-year-old's first run since he landed the Grand Prix de Paris in June.

Michael Bell provides the sole British representative against him with Ivan Luis, whose third in the Gordon Stakes at Goodwood looks unlikely to trouble the favourite. If there is to be an upset, a more likely source is Rajpoute.

The Prix Vermeille boasts a stronger British presence with Dust Dancer, mained by John Dunlop, and the Luca Cumani-trained Kaliana and Ridaiyma.

Dust Dancer opened her group three Prix de la Nonette. beating the Prix de Diane winner, Vereva, by a short head with the Oaks second, Gazelle Royale, a length third. makes most appeal.

PEINTRE CELEBRE can en- Gazelle Royale reopposes and will be well suited by the extra

two furlangs. Kaliana, a half-sister to Kahyasi, has raced only three times, but has shown useful form, winning the Galtres Stakes at York, and is open to plenty of improvement

Mousse Glacee and Brilliance, who chased home Vereva in the Diane, are the other major players. Mousse Glacee has not run since that contest, in early June, but is another who will appreciate this longer trip, while Brilliance proved that she stays 12 miles when third to Ebadiyla in the Irish Oaks.

Frankie Dettori rides John Gosden's Tamure in the Prix Foy. However, he has become disappointing and, in a cosmonolitan line-up including pattern race account in the the 1995 Melbourne Cup runner-up, Nothin' Leica Dane, and the Japanese-trained Sakura Laurel, Surgeon, with Cash Asmussen on board,

### LONGCHAMP TOMORROW BBC2

GOING: GOOD DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

3.10 PRIX YERMEILLE (Group I: 3-Y-O: £89,786. 1m 4f) (9 runners)

1 (9) 121 KALLANA 24 (D.G.S) (H9H Aga Khan) L Cumaru (SS) 9-0 ... J Raid [20]
2 (6) 311 RIDANNA 25 (D.F.S) (H9H Aga Khan) L Cumaru (SS) 9-0 ... J Raid [30]
3 (9) 2-1133 BRILLIANCE S3 (D.F.S) (H9H Aga Khan) L Cumaru (SS) 9-0 ... S Guidel 122
4 (2) 1551411 DUST DANCER 22 (D.F.G.S) (Hermonts Surin J Dunion (SS) 9-0 Pat Edwary 116
5 (4) 11-292 MOUSSE GLACEE 98 (C.S) (Satish Seram) J Lasborder 9-0 ... O Mousel 118
5 (5) 5-14183 LESEND MAKER 42 (D.G.S) (M labori A Fabre 9-0 ... 7 Janest 106
7 (3) 02-1193 OLEEN MALD 56 (BF.C.S) (G lamina) J Dr Rouale 9-0 ... O Pesilor 104
8 (1) 1-291 SILVER RUH 84 (C.S) (Wattherene Brothers) Mare C Head 9-0 ... Dollausa 107
9 (7) 413-323 GAZELLE ROYALE 22 (S) (K Yeshola) J Harrenand 9-0 ... C Asmission 123
BETTIME: 7-2 Data Dancer 9-2 Mousel Blacem, 5-1 Britainers, 11-2 Kalazm. 8-1 Gazelfa Royale, 5-1 Sover Fun, 10-1 Lagend Mater, 12-1 others

3.40 PRIX NIEL (Group II, 3-Y-O: £44,893; 1m 4f) (5 runners)

(4) 3-12513 NAN LUS 47 (D.F.S) (L. Sauson M Ball (GB) 9-2 J Reid 121 (S) 245121 RAIPOUTE 30 (D.G.S) (L. Martin) F Doumen 9-2 G Messa 112 (3) -513656 THAN 30 (D.G.) (Marcine Family J Peace 9-2 C Astronoum 124 (2) 14-4073 NEW PROPRIETS GC (S.) (M Tabos) A Pabre 9-2 J James 119 (1) 13-111 PENTRE CELEBRE 84 (C.D.S.S) (D Wildenton) A Fabre 9-2 O Pestler 133

### 4.15 PRIX FOY (Group III: £28,596: 1m 4f) (8 runners)

BETTRIC: 3-1 Surgeon, Steward, 4-1 For Valour, 5-1 Le Destin, 6-1 Yelschama, 8-1 Terrare, 12-1 Northin' Leica Dane, 14-1 Satura Laurel

#### 4.00 JOHN E SMITH SUTH YEAR CELEBRATION WORCESTER HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,368, 2m 4f) (8)

2,25 Contract Bridge, 2,55 Old Bombay, 3,30 Fiveleigh Builds, 4,00 Lagan, 4,35 Albemine, 5,05

# 2.25 ACTON GREEN CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£2.007 2m) (18 runners)

2.55	QUEENSWAY HURDLE (£2,035 3m	1) (12)
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17 -527	SPARALING BUCK 27 N Avide 5-11-0 2-1 Old Bombon 4-1 Welch Sign 6-1 Chic - Lad	

5-1 Galloping Guns, 6-1 Contract Bridge 7-1 Safecracker 8-1 High Boal, Daile Rose 10-1 Mr Bean, Persoan Darm, Just For A Reason 12-1 other:

3.30 ASTLEY HANDICAP CHASE (£4,372, 3m) (7) 1 1221 STEEL 19 (B.CD.F. 6.5.) P. Bowen 10-12-0.
2 1-31 TWILEGH BRILDS 53 (CD.F. 6.1 Mars. Res. 281 10-11-9. A Thornton 3 C25 - LAROUS ALE RES. 10-11-9. A Thornton 4 341P ANDRELOT 10 (B.C.F. 6.1 P. Bowen 10-10-1).
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4 13 41P ANDRELOT 10 (B.C.F. 6.1 P. Bowen 10-10-1).
5 PL-3 CANTONS PRAIRE 18 (C.O.C. 5.) P. Franca 10-10-3. W. Marston 2-P. HARRSTOWN LADY 35 (B.F. 6.1 G. Budong 10-10-3. A. Magure P21- CARONAL, RULE 113 (G.S. Miz. Williams 8-10-0. M. Williamson 5-2 Carole : Crusader 3-1 Fweleigh Builds 7-2 titsee 9-2 Caronal Rule 8-1 other.

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1 -121 SHERET 19 (CD.F.G.S.I J. Hulls 6-11-13 C. Lieverlyn
2 43P5 BAMAPOUR 36 (D.F.G.S.I M. Poe 7-11-6 A. P. McCoy
3 51J - COKENNY BOY 220 (F.G.S.) M. Pierran 12-11-1 N. Williamson
4 31P- CRANDON BOULEVARD 163 (f) Mr.S. Prema 4-11-2 R. Farrant
5 1-43 LASAN 36 (F.G.) M. Williams 6-10-1 B. Powol
6 51-0 WIRSFORD HILL 98 (BF.F.G.) I Williams 6-10-1 B. Powol
7 .044 CHICAGO'S BEST 28 (B.CD.F.G.) M. Coembe 10-10-0
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8 0522 PERSIAN MYSTIC 33 (G) D. Winds 5-10-0 W. Marston
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3 - JUPP ALPINE MIST 33 (D.F.G.) JO Seas 5-11-1 Michael Brennan (3)
4 305 - ALBEMMIS 110 (D.F.) P. Eccle: 8-18-10
5 PPP- AQUEOUS ROCKS 131P B Proccs 6-10-10 J Moglord (7)
6 65-4 ASTERM 10 (F.) J. Radley 9-10-10 J Moglord (7)
7 R53 - CAMP FEAD 106 C 9 Sensenou 6-10-10 J A McCartly
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11 PP6- BABA AU THAUM 36-1 Vehicums 5-10-8 G Radley
13 421- CUILLIN CAPER 80 (D.F. S.) TWatson 5-10-3
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#### **BANGOR** 3.10 WREXHAM HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,518: 2m 4f) (11)

THUNDERER 2.10 Chatsauherault. 2.40 Freddie Muck. 3.10 Prussle, 3.45 Mighty Merc. 4.20 Green Green Desert. 4.50 Follow De Call.

GOING GOOD

2.10 GORDON MYTTON HOMES JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-0: £2,905, 2m 1f) (16 runners) | 21 STONED MACULATÉ (37 (72.905. 2m 1f) (16 n.mnels) |
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1 -314 RMS OF SHADONS 28 (CD.6) R Hollinchead 10-11-12 Gary Lyons 2 0531 FRASER CAREY 19 (B.D.F.6) T George 5-11-9 I J Murphy 3 05-2 CHAPPHICO 19 (G.5) Mrs 1 Heath 7-11-6 D Gatagher 4 630- FREDOR MICH 17 (D.F.G.5) Mrs 1 Heath 7-11-6 T Jonks 5 355- MOTHING (DDDOWNTHAKE 278 (F) 1 Forster 7-11-6 J Octome 4 150- PHARARE 131 (F.5) R Woodboase 7-11-6 W Duran 9 00-9 MRS OF BARPY ON 19 (F) F Jondon 5-11-3 P Carborry 8 525- AMABRANICA 143 (G) J Jatheryon 6-11-1 E Cathagran (3) 5-4 Freddin Much 6-1 Anabranch 7-1 Pharane, King Ol Stadows 8-1 Fraser Carry Nothingtodownthme, 10-1 Chiappieci, 20-1 King Ol Babylon.

COURSE SPECIALISTS BANGOR: Trainers, J Spearing, 3 tempers from 10 numers, 30.0%, M Page, 26 from 87, 79.9%, J Jefferson, 3 from 12, 25.0%, O Shemood, 5 from 21, 23.8%, Inclasys: F Leathy, 4 etioners; from 15 rides, 26.7%, J October 8 from 40, 20.9%, C Liewellyn, 10 from 56, 17.9%, R Garnity, 4 from 26, 15.4%

WORCESTER: Trainers: O Chemood. 17 winners from 50 numers. 34 0%. T Watson, 3 from 9, 33 3%, M Price, 46 from 149, 20 9%, D Michoton, 27 from 61, 727-8 Judeys, L Aguel, 4 winners from 13 rides, 30 8%. A McCoy, 44 from 155, 28 4%, N Withamson, 23 from 133, 17 3%, G Bradley, 10 from 59, 16 5%, R Johnson, 13 from 77, 16 3%.

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7 233 - ANNA SOLEL 118 (0,7) O Stermood 4-12-0 ... J Cebothe

2 434 - SHAFRAN 150 (0,7) M Pipe 5-11-13 ... C Maade

3 211 EUPHORIC GLUSKIN 11F (C,F,E) May 5 Smuth 6-11-16 R Guest

4 63-P BELIROI 33 (V,CD,F,E) M Tomplate 5-11-9 A Dobbob

5 -P24 BURES 16 (V,F,G) Mix J Brown 6-11-6 R Garrity

6 21-U FIRST CRACK 19 (C,D,F,G) S F Joutan 12-11-8 P Carbory

7 29-4 PRUSSIA 18 (D,F) W Cay 6-11-3 D Gallogher

9 4122 FRONTER RADIT 14 (D,F,G) Mass L Sector 7-10-13

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9 5-41 OPERA FAM 18 (6,S) R Morgan 5-10-11 P Morris (5)

10 -503 MARORS LAW 8 (G,S) R Smycsa 6-10-3 P McLoughten

11 ,PO PLAY GAMES 194 (G) R Lee 9-10-2 Nr 8 Dorack (7)

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### **RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S THREE MEETINGS**

#### Doncaster Going: good to firm

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1.30 (1m) 1 CITY HONOURS (J Reid,
11-10 lav), 2 Protot (M Hills 3-1) 3

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Shentung 8 ran Sh hd, 91, 41, 61, 41

Chapple-Hyarn at Manton Tote £2,30

C1.20 £1.50 £1.20 DF £2.40 CSF

£4,19.

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£4.19.
2.05 (1m 21 60vd) 1 FAITHFUL SON (J. Red, 11-8 g-tav) 2. Alegal (S. Sanciers 7-11 3 Muselsal (M. Hills, 11-8 g-tav) ALSO RAM 8 Yawlersky (4th), 4 ran NR Fascanating Rhythm, 11-31, hd, 191 M. Stoute at Newmertet Tote £2.10, DF £4.70 CSF, £2.58

24 70 CSF, 29,58
2.35 (1m 4t) 1, BUSY FLIGHT (M Helis
11-8 tay): 2 Memorise (f. Fallon, 2-1), 3
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ALSO RAN 7-2 Midlicoloured (4th) 11
Key To My Heart (5th) 5 ran 31, 9, 1-1,
141 B Helis at Lambourn Tote (23.30,
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3.05 (7h 1. DAGGERS DRAWN (K. Fation 4-6 law), 2. Docksider (M. Hills. 9-1) 3. Saratoga Springs (M. J. Amann, 5-2). ALSO RAN 9. Carrow-level (4lh), 50. Stone Of Destiny (5lh) 5 ten -1, 1-4 31, 111. H. Cecil at Newmarket Tote 11.60 (1.10 123.30 DF 25.80 CSF 67.03.

C1:10 23:30 DF 25:80 CSF £7:03.

3.35 (1n:41) 1 DANTESQUE (G Miligan, 12) 2. Elbaana (R Cochranx 10-11, 3. Ferry Hill (S Sandors, 8-11 4. Steam-roller Stanly (M Fenton 20-1) ALSO RJN 9-2 tay Docklands Lino 7 Calchable 8 Walnbu Sanda, 11 My Learned Friend 12 Celestial Chon (5th), Magic Combination Remassis Sun (6th), 14 Solo Mo 16 Princhincha 33 kins Green, Time For Action, 50 Golden Hello 16 ran 11-1 2 nl. 2 nl. 6 Whagg at Newmarket Tote 28 40 £1 80 £2 10 £2 20, £2 90 DF £35 50 Tro £61 40 CSF £75 97 Troast £583 31

4.10 (5)) 1 JUST BOB (D McKeown 25-1) 2 Shelisleyholy (F. Fallon & 1), 3 Cross The Border (Alc. Greaves 6-1), 4. The Happy Fox (M Roberts 16-1) ALSO RAN 5-1 (av Lord High Admir.) 10

Storyreller 12 Duzwo 14 Barranak Purple Fing, Tuccan Dawn, White Emr 16 Bollin Hairy (6th), Pleasure Time Swan A Whalley Tear White 20 Archello, Malibu Man (5th) Principy Sound, The Wad, 25 Nithy Norman Shadow Jury, 33 Polly Golighty 22 Jan 14 In 11, 21, 31 & 5 Kottkowell at Middischam Toto 127 80, 12 40 11 50 12 20 12 70 OF 1218 00 Time 1557 90 CSF 1205 60 Tricasi (1, 294 60

440 (Im) 1 REVOQUE (J Red, 6-5) 2 Bohhare (R Hits, 10-11 lav) 3 Kumari (k Fallon, 9-1) 3 ran 1% 23L P Chapple-Hyenn Tolo £2.00 DF £1.20 CSF £2.44 Jackpot, £19,292 60 Placepot £13.00 Quadrot £7.40 Goodwood

Going: good (round course), good to colt (straight course) 2.10 (1m) 1, Gold Lance it. Delton, 6-1 ter) 2, Step On Degas (11.1), 3, Caldioro (14-1), 4, Sovereigns Co. 1 (12-1), 22 ran

Nk, NJ R O'Sutilivan Toto 95 60, 21 60, 22 50 94 50, 94 80 DF 915 60 Tho 9122:30 CSF 961 32 Tricast 9874 10 2.40 (1m) 1 Alboostan (G Carter, 11-2), 2, Almulawalrel (8-13 tav), 3, Due South (9-2) 5 ran 11, VI D Morley Tote 25 70; 23 60, C1 10 DF 12 40 CSF 128 00 3.10 (1m II) 1, Danish Rhapsody (W Ryen, 10-1), 2 Fing Ol Tunes (10-1), 3, The In-Law, (20-1), 4, Tripal Poace (20-1), Minit 5-1 fev 18 ran NR Sharp Shuffle, Vitual Reality 11-1, 11-1, Lady Herries Toric 512 20 52 70, 22-30, 54-30 64-80 DF 299-90 Trip C319-60 CSF 589-70 Tricasi C1 811 50

Latatomne (8-1): 3, Marriolii (10-11 fav), 4 ran 31,1, shihd Sibin Surger Total C2 00 DF £400 CSF £1141 4.15 (7): 1. Titen (J. F. Egan, 8-1), 2, Jungle Story (9-2), 3, Who Nose (10-1) Vice Prusidential 4-1 fev. 10 ran Hd, nk. S. Dow Train £17.90, £19.00 £2.20 £2.40 DF, £42.10, Trio £112.00 CSF £39.12 Tricust £341.59

3.40 (7t) 1 Kahai (L Detton 13-8) 2

4.50 (Im 4) 1, Aerloon Pete (D Holland, 7-2) 2, Pennys, From Heaven (7-1) 3, Agony Aunti (14-1) Farmosi (100-30 fev 7 ran 6) in M Stoute Tote (25-5) (2-0) 51,90 DF 512-80 CSF (234-14 5.20 (6) 1, lesband (I, Delton 4-5 lav): 2, Title Bid (9-1), 3 Sabhaan (11-2): 12 ran NP: Asyaad Storm Fromthe East 31, 134 J Gostlon Tote (17 0 5.1.0 5.19 0 5.1.80 DF 57 30 Tro 510 50 CSF 58 02 Placepot: \$234.80. Quadpot: \$87.60.

Worcester Going: good 2.20 (2m 4t hole) 1, Teby Brown (A Maguire, 6-4 lav), 2 He 2 Gol Wings (25-1) 3, Diego (7-4) 11 ran 1 \(\frac{1}{2}\), 21 \(\text{D}\) Nicholson Tote (3.30, £1.30, £3.00, £1.10 \(\text{DF}\) (37.30 Tro. £26.00, CSF, £38.36

2.55 (2m 7) 110yd ch) 1 Star Traveller (S Wymne, 8-11 fey), 2, Our Nahlu (9-2), 3, Relixon (7-1) 7 ran 9, 81 T Forster Tote C1 90; 21 30, (2.20 DF, 22 80, CSF-23 78

3.25 (3m hdlet 1, Hr Marble 1M Dunne, 14-1) 2 kanclegh Boy (10-1), 3, Romatio (5-1), Torch Vert 5-4 lav 3 zan 41, 13 Mrs M Jones Tote £10.40, £2.00, £1,60, £1,70 DF £30.10, CSF £127.56 Tricasi £731.95

4.00 (2m ch) 1, Regal Romper (R Guest 7-1), 2, Who's To Say (66-1), 3 Sparish Lighi (8-1) Yubraleo 11-10 lav 6 ran 5, 111 Mrs S Smith Tote £750 £350, £6 70 DF £26 90, CSF £127 80 4 30 (2m hdle) 1, Infamous (A P McCoy, 10-11 lav) 2, Alafiak (8-1) 3, Clare's Dancer (33-1) 13 ran 41 241 R O'Sullivan Tote E180 E150 E220, E5.90, DF £7.60, Trio, £57.90 CSF

5.05 (2m hdle) t Neshamira (A Maguira 2-1 lav), 2, King Ot Sparta (5-1), 3 Shifting Moon (5-1), 7 ran NR Touch Silver 21 16: D Nicholson Tole £4.30; C1 80, £2.30, DF, £9.50, CSF, £11.05, Tricast £38.31 Placepot: £127.10.

Quadpot; 267.60

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#### **GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND FIXTURES**

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CS-LEAGUE Beautiful division. Epodim and Exist. v. Timp. Leaves v. Hampharth, Southall v. Hieropstead in MEDIANO LEAGUE: First common Stantiero. P. Ale v. Borton Eastwood Town v. Flaton Trafford Competion.

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Elon Monor v Bowers, Hulbridge Sports v Sawbridgeworth; Safkon Walden v Basildon

Savetridgeworth: Saftron Walden' v Basildon U Southernd Manor v Basil Horn BANKS'S BREWERY LEAGUE: Premier clivision: Breefey Hill T v Wickerhampton C; Dataston v Basanch's Edingsind v Climal A. Kington Town v Ludow T. Stafford T v Stourport S Thodale v Walsail Wood, Wolverhampton v Bussieholme JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Ely v Surbury, Historia v Falenham, Tiptice v Gorioston, Waldon v Warbors.

Falenham, Tiprise v Gorloston, Wedon v Warboyt.

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EWISON WESSEX LEAGUE: Faid dividion:
AFC Newbury v Bournemouth; BAT v Cowea.

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Eastleigh: Ryde Sports v Andover;
Whitchusch v Tolke Sports v Andover;
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Premier division: Boston v Long Buckbur.

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UNITET SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: First chivision: Mile Oals v Ringman; Pegham v Hallstem, Rechel v Essettoume Yorn, Salany v Proceduron and Telecombe INTERLINK EXPRESSE ALLIANCE: Kings Notion v Shiftigal T; Oldbury v Chasetowit; Rocester v Stratient T, Sandweil v Bloowich Town: Wednesded v Rushell O, W Mid Police v Petcal V HORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE Premier chivision: Curzon Asthon v Hallsmi; Hasteld Math v Armshorpe Weitsne; Ossott Abbon v Bolby; Malby MW v Thackley; Policing v Glassic cupility of card Curz, Frest qualifying coards Guillerinad v Mestock Town, Bingham v Guillerinad v Mestock Town, Bingham v Mestock Town.

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Casel Town, Luigh RMI v Accongton Stanley Choniey v Pomiehrad Collenies;
Illuston v Resendaie, Warmington v RTM
Newcasele, Radcettle v Beinop Aucdand;
Whitby v Nethoriald; Billinghiam Town v
Amold: Whitley Bav v Sholon Comredes,
Winstord v Leek, Hyde v Loudh, Darwin v
Rythope CA, Greet Hawrood v St Helsens,
Lancaster v Corsolt, Bootle v Belper Town;
Ecolesiul v Perlygess; Workington v Emiley;
Frickley v Morpeth, Gentre v Mossley;
Levisede v Slocksbridge Park, Steels, N
Ferniby v Barrow; Newcasils Town: Worksop v
Ottmam: Spennymoor v Blyth Spariare;
Bamber Bridge v Dunson Federation Brewery, Cistretoe v Jarrow Roofing Boldon CA,
Stavelsy MW v Lincoln United. Medine v
Ashinon United. Gusceley v Alfreton, Hearing v
Budgenoth v Desborough, Buy Town v
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Green's Biston. Histori v Newmarket, Dess v
VS Rugby; Bourne v King's Lyrar Northempoton Spence v Woodhing's Irvan Northempoton Spence v Woodhing's Two Boldmark
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CARDIFF: Clamorgan v Essex
SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire v Sussex
LORD'S: Middlessey v Nottinghamshire
NORTHAMPTON: Northamplonshire v Leicestershire WORCESTER: Worcesturshire v Derbyshire HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire V Kant

RUGBY UNION kick-off 3 € unless stated Swansea v Ulster (2.0). Pool D 

Pool E

European Conference Fool A Ebbw Vale v Bristol (2.30) .. . Pool B Montlerrand v Newport (1 05) . ... Pool D

Northampton v Bogles-Bordeaux

Pau v Llanelli (5 ()6) ...... . . .

Richmond v Bridgend ... Pool F Gloucester v Toulon Pool H

Neath v Narbonne (6 0) Allied Dunbar Premiership Second division Blackheath v Wakefield Exeter v Bedford Fylde v Coventry Mosekey West Hartlepool Waterloo v Landon Saotish

Jewson National League First division Hanogate v Moriev London Welsh v Leeds Lydney v Liverpool St Helons Newbury v Wordester Offey v Rugby Rosstyn Park v Reading Wharfedale v Nottingham

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RFU CUP: First round: Asperta v Stockon.
Barling v Searrage and Wareham. Barring v Western super-Atter: Birming from Selfruit Western Brooksneet v Western State: Broming from Selfruit Poteo. Brooksneet v Worksoft Comboticy v Bornstagle Cesteration v Okonampton. Cone; Hill v Preston Gracthoppers. Hayeards: Heath v Plymouth. Henley v Cambridge Hornets v Havant Launceston v Bacester; Leves v Winderdon Lochfeld v Manchester Longton v Wardes Maddinhoad v American and Chiem Massan v Bishop a Storffort. North Washam v Esher, Northorn v Derby Romann v Bracknett Namedon v Seddey Park, Old Coventinans v Huddonsteld: Othey v St hos. Sendel v Old Northamptore: Shetbond v Redult Stuffer and Epsom v Benoury Tatourd's Hardes Teartfor v Centelbury: Tymedale v Herckley Vagabond. (John v Old Bondelears Vale of Lurely Ampthal Whitcharch v Stoutbadge Westerbeter v Russip Winnington Park v Stoke Welsh League

Aberavon v Maesteg (2 0)
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Llandovery v South Wates Police (2 0)
Newbridge v Cross Keys (2 0)
Pontypool v Caerphilly (2 0)
Treorchy v Merthyr (2 0)

SECOND DIVISION. Tondu v Abereviron Kentig Hill v St Perer's, Pyle v Whitand Llonharan v Ystradgynlais, Mountein Ash v Tredegar, Narbeth v Terdy Utd. SRU League Trophy Group A

Curre v Preston Lodge Hawick v Kirkcaldy, Henol's FP v Edinburgh Acads Melrose v Glasgow Hawks, Musselburgh v Gala. Group B

RUGBY LEAGUE

Peebles v Walsonians ... Striling County v West of Scotland

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OTHER SPORT

BASKETBALL: Budwesser League: Crystel Palace v London Towers (7:30). Derby v Birmeighem (7:30). Leicester v Sheffeld (7:30); Marchester v Themes Valley (7:30); Mexicante v Leopards (7:30); Westford v Westford (7:59) Newcollege V Leoperus (r 34), February Wortfare (7 30) BOXING: British weitenweight champ-tonship: G McCresh (Bradwell, holder) v F Ryan (Hackiney) (at London Arena) EQUESTRIANSM: European three-day

Halli (CE HOCKEY: Beneon and Hedges Cup: Group A: Ayr v Newcastle (6 30), Shrifield v Pausley (7.0), Telford v Manchester (7 30; Group B: Nottingham v Basingstoke (7 0);

Palsely (7.0), instruct of Manneserry (7.0);
Bracknell v Carolit (6.0), Slough v Peterborough (6.30)
MOTOR RALL/WING: Minor Reay
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Vue (7.30), Premier League Indents champlossing: Final (at Coverny, 7.30), Annaeur
League: King's Lynn and Ipsauch v Budon
(7.30), King's Lynn and Ipsauch v Budon
(7.30)
TENNISI: Samaung Open (et Bournermouth)

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FAI HARP LAGER NATIONAL LEAGUE:
Premier division: Cork v Derry (12 0); UCD v
Kitkanov (3 15).
FA CUP: First qualifying round: Knypersiev
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C v Attenstons: Beddord v Archanal (2 0); Everion v
Croydon (1 0); Liverpool v Milwell (12 30),
Transmere v Doncaster (2 0); Wembley v
Berithernaled (2 0)

CRICKET Axa Life League

10, 40 overs CHESTER-LE-STREET: Durham v CHESTEH-LE-SINEE I : LAUTHAITI V
SUNDENE
CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Essex
COUTHAMIFTON: Hampshire v Sussex
LORD'S: Middlesex v Notinghamshire
NORTHAMIFTON: Northamptonshire v
Lekestershire
THE OVAL: Surrey v Lancashire
EDGBASTON: Wannedshire v
Glamastershire Gloucestershire WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Derbyshire

1.10, 40 overs HÉADINGLEY: Yorkshire v Keni AUGBY UNION Heineken Cup Pool B Glasgow v Wasps (at Scotstoun, Glasgow, 3 0)

Pool G Brive v Poritypridd (2 30) ... Scottish Borders v Bath (al Mansfield Park, Hawick, 2 30). Pool E

European Conference Pool B Montpellier v Sala (2 0)... Pool D

Nace v Connacht (20) ..... Pool G Edinburgh v Biarntz (al Goldenacre, 3 0) Newcastle v Perpignan (3 0) . . . . . . Pool H Saracens v Castres (3 0) ...

Altied Dunbar Premiership Rotherham v Orrell (3 0) RUGBY LEAGUE Stones Premiership Quarter-finals Bradford v Castleford (6.0) ..... London v Shettield (3.30) .... Divisional Premiership

Huddersfield v Featherstone (3.30) Hull v Hunslet (3.15) Leigh v Whitehaven (3.0) Worldington v Kerghley (3.0) OTHER SPORT ATHLETICS: Bupa Great North Run ATHLETICS: Bupe Great North Run (Gatechead)
BASKETBALL: Buthweler Lesque: Leoparde v Crystal Palace (5 0), London Towers v Crester (6 Min EULESTRIANISM: European three-deynem int Burghley)
BOULE: Clatcheur Schools Classic (at Benton Hell)
ICE HOCKEY. Benson and Hedges Cup: Group A: Newcastle v Pesiely (6 30) Sheffield v Telland (6 30), Manchester v Avr (6 0) Group B: Beaningstoke v Sough (6 0) Cardid v Preterborough (6 0).
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SPEEDWAY: Internetional match: England
v Australia, (at Swindon, 7.0) Premier
League Gasopie v Long Eaton (6.30)
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Sheffield (6.0), Stote v Exiter (7.30)
Individual: Welsh championaship (at Newport, 2.30) Amsteur League: Wilderinal v
Reading and Swindon (8.30), Latholtan v
Long Eston and Wolverhampion (1.0)
TENNIS: Samsung Open (at Bournetmouth)

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# Davies goes back to his roots



Strength in adversity: friends and family helped Davies to cope with the death of his wife

Tor a professional sports-I man, or woman, coming down from the pedestal of acclaim is the most vulnerable and exacting time of life. You are 30-something, the body is slowing down, the mind has quickened and expanded through experience ... and now suddenly you have decisions to take on which you and your family will sustain the riches of recent years or begin a

Jonathan Davies, secure among the hallowed rugby fly halves of Wales, has begun the transition. It is difficult for any competitor, the challenge no longer to turn an event or a match with a moment of intuitive skill, but to redirect talents and knowledge. When the rock of your own family existence has just been removed, as in the case of Davies, it is so much more sensitive and delicate.

Karen Davies, Jonathan's companion from the age of ten, his wife since they married at 21 and the mother of his three young children. died of stomach cancer in June. They had already discussed where he would like to go, what he would like to do with the rest of his life. and how he could build that around raising Scott, aged nine. Grace, four, and Geena, two.

Last week, in Davies's first assignment as an analyst for BBC Wales, he came to a salutary

e was in Wrexham. covering Wales v Romania. The last time he captained Wales, before defecting to what he calls "my alienation" in rugby league with Widnes, he was vilified. "But I'm better off now than the captain of Romania that day," he said yester-day. "Florica Murariu was shot dead when the revolution came against the Ceausescus."

This afternoon, Davies, the commentator, is in France for Brive against Pontypridd. He is close. still, to the action, though as isolated as any reporter, the wrong side of the dressing-room door. He says that he does not feel the withdrawal on that particular score, that the dressing-room, its intensities and its communal combative rituals, is the least attractive aspect of rugby to him. However, being there, being abroad, is a trial. Some days ago. Grace, having just started school, did not want her father to leave the house. She cried, she talked of tummy pains, but he had a living to make, a journey to

The children this weekend are in brate the ninetieth birthday of their maternal great-grandmother. Through the week, though Davies arranges every possible day so that he takes his daughter to school, he leans on his own mother. She has known tragedy herself: when Jona-than was 14. his father. a steel worker, died of cancer. She not only raised Davies and his sister, but also taught herself to drive so that she could take the fledgeling player to his all-important matches.

Diana Davies and Ken, his stepfather, two weeks ago agreed to

give up their life in Trimsaran, the village north of Llanelli, and moved into a house in the same street as Jonathan: and mother has become full-time carer to the family again. Indeed, Davies is drawing heavi-

ly on the parochial spirit of Welsh life, the close-knit support that he left in 1989, when he and Karen uprooted completely to secure the dream of their family life. a El50,000 contract over six years to play rugby league. Her own father had collapsed and died at tea, in

front of the pair of them, and behind every decision that Davies took, Karen had her say, although ultimately the choice was his. Now, with the

schools for Scott and Grace within a few hundred yards, with down the road, with Gareth Davies, his predecessor as Wales fly half, living next door, life not only goes on, it also turns full circle.

Davies, on the rugby field, could move as smooth as the Welsh tongue. He had arrogance in his stride, he could dart through

a gap that others never saw, he could, in his own words, "smack somebody without hesitation, I was never the cleanest of players". He transferred to the presumed coarseness of league almost without a tremor and won the respect of Australians who themselves would employ him for a summer after being in awe of the way he withstood a straight-arm piece of thuggery, in a match at Old Trafford, to score a magnificent try.

So, in the wake of Cliff Morgan (29 caps. 1951-58). Barry John (25 caps. 1966-72). Phil Bennett (29 caps, 1969-78) and Gareth Davies (21 caps, 1978-85). Jonathan Davies (32 caps, 1085-97), from the same valley community as them, succeeded in tantalising Wales. He was the 15-4th player to move

from Wales to northern rughy league, yet the resentment came because he was arguably the finest: he was in his prime and he was the hope of a declining sport in a declining region. Unsurprisingly, when he made the return journey. when he became the first player to resume a Wales international

career after the crossing of codes, this special performer, just 5ft 812 in and 12st, did not move back into the heart of the valleys but to Llandaff, just out-side Cardiff.

They came back to their roots, knowing the change was traumatic for their children. "We were moving house, moving schools for Scott. bringing them to a different language (Welsh is Davies's mother tongue and now his children's), and they brought to the spacious house that Davies had al-

ways wanted a new pet, a chocolate-coloured labrador. They did not bring luck; within weeks, Karen's cancer was diagnosed, and earlier this summer, when every treatment had been exhausted, he brought her home and, drawing on her own fierce courage, began to rethink his life in "retirement" and to prepare Scott for her death.

To me, grief is all private," he said. I wouldn't be so presumptuous as to comment on people who. in their tens of thousands, queued 12 hours to sign the book of condolence for Princess Diana. I only know that you've got to get on with life, and that's the end of it. If

[Prince] William had wanted to chat to someone. I could at least. have been respectful, but it's very private, very personal, even if being in the public eye is a part of your upbringing.

There is laughter in the Davies house: how can it be otherwise with \_ = 1 children so young? There are weights in the garden shed, there is a compulsion still to go down to Cardiff Rugby Football Club, which continues to employ him while the transition takes place. He has a PR role with Jewsons, which he enjoys because it is not rugby related, he writes a perceptive and challenging column in the Independent on Sunday. And behind the microphone he has the intelligence: to appreciate that honesty is imperative. I will praise and I will: criticise." he said. "I will have to because there are millions of people. who know the game and would know if you are not telling it right.

or someone presumed to have had such innate ability that it simply rolled off him. he displays remarkable analytical presience. "I wanted to be the best outside haif that ever lived," he said, "but that wouldn't pay the mortgage. I was fortunate to come up through an era where rugby players mixed and talked to people. Today the players may be richer, but they would struggle to mix and mingle because everything is full-time.

"I trained on Tuesday morning at Cardiff with Robert Howley. I can still enjoy feeling what is in my body, but I packed a lot into ten years, the mental side of it as well as physical. Ultimately, my decision to retire, though not irreversible, was purely made on personal pride. People can remember me for what I was. Why sacrifice everything for the sake of another two years of income?"

Last week, on behalf of Cardiff RFC, he persuaded a youngster to join that club, rather than accept El0,000 more from another. His persuasion? "I told the lad of a serious injury, a cruciate ligament tear in my knee when I was 2). I came through that, but others with a similar injury didn't. I suggested to the youngster, who is a terrific prospect, that he should tell Cardiff he wanted to go to college and that he would come back to them fuiltime, on his terms, educated, when

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Educated: Davies himself left school the moment he could escape it, but he learnt from those around him to observe, to look and listen, and he married perfectly. That way he overcame the tragedies in his life where some "great" sportsmen became, in retirement, their own tragedies, i think of Bob Hayes, the 1964 Olympic sprint champion, ailed for drug trafficking. Of Garrincha, a marvellous Brazilian footballer, who died an alcoholic. Of Willie Pastrano, a world boxing champion, who drifted into drugs and crime and lamented that sportsmen should be rehabilitated like Vietnam veterans. Jonathan Davies, 34, has come through more, and appears more of a man



Starting over: Davies with his children Scott, left, Geena and Grace

### **Baker sits** out start

THE one English player who. perhaps more than any other in recent years, has matchedthe American imports for skill will be sitting at home when the Budweiser League season

The darting, dribbling expertise of Ronnie Baker will not be adorning the London Arena tomorrow when the Leopards begin their home programme with a game against Crystal Palace. Ronnie wants to make continental money in England," Billy Mims, his coach, said.

Unlike Baker, who could play for the champions but will not, there are countless-English players who would give everything to be partici-pating at the highest domestic level. But for the continued influx of American players. recruited largely by compatriots like Mims, a Carolinian, they might be on court.

The absence of Baker means that Mims will start with only one English player Jason Crump, the 6ft 9in centre, at

Towers have gone for continuity but have recurited Marco Baldi, the Italian centre, from Leverkusen in Germany. Off court, the continuity stops and eight clubs have new ceaches.

BASKETBALL

to season BÝ NICHOLAS HARLING

opens this weekend.

"We have offered him more. money than we have ever offered an English player but unfortunately in this country we still have a salary cap and budgetary restrictions."

"My job is to win games," Mims said, "and that means putting the best players out on the floor.

Newcastle tonight. Like the Leopards, the

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By KARL JOHNSTON

THIS has been an extraordinary week for Irish rugby. In Galway on Tuesday. Connacht pulled off a resounding defeat of Northampton, and last night at Donnybrook. Leinster followed their example by dethroning Leicester. who reached the final of the Heineken Cup last season. Leinster had to absorb in-

tense pressure for long periods but absorb it they did. surviving a first-half blitz to restrict Leicester to a 6-3 lead. Seven minutes after the interval. Alan McGowan landed a penalty gual - his second of the match - to level the score, and five minutes later, to the delight of the \$1000-strong crowd. McGowan's third pen-

alty goal put Leinster ahead. Leicester's handling skills were superior, but what Leinster lacked in ability they more than made up for with spirit. and when they scored the only try of the match, in the sixtleth minute, the scent of victory

was in the air. The build-up to the decisive score came when Leinster were awarded a scrum after a lineout in Leicester's 22. The ball was released and the home team seemed to have lost the initiative, but Martin Ridge tidied up, burst on the blind side and found Kevin Nowlan, the full back, in support to score an excellent try which McGowan convert-

ed with a fine kick. Five minutes later, Stransky revived Leicester's hopes with his third penalty goal, but although Leinster were often on the rack in the final,

fence and resolve held firm.

Leinster, who had done better than expected against Toulouse last Saturday, had also played well in the first half, when the visitors had the advantage of a strong wind. Leinster might have done even better had they not been guilty of needless errors at important

Stransky opened Leicester's account with a penalty from 35 metres after 21 minutes, when Leinster were caught offside. A few minutes later, Stuart Potter was almost through. hut good defending by Leinster ended the danger.

After 30 minutes, Leinster were awarded a free kick in their own 22. McGowan's decision to go for the tap way inexplicable, and as Leinster attempted to run the ball out of defence, they were penalised for handling in the ruck which followed and Stransky landed his second penalty goal.

Leinster finally established a foothold in Leicester territory and McGowan landed a penalty goal from in from of the posts to put the Irish champions in contention.

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### Leinster hold line | Harlequins look to their own Gallic connection

By David Hands, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

FRANCE and England were running neck and neck in European competition after the first round of the Heineken Cup but that must change today - unless Harlequins and Bourgoin can contrive a draw at the Stoop Memorial Ground, Victories for the four competing clubs from each country was no particular surprise, the volume of away victories was. Can it be that home advan-

tage is no longer what it was, particularly for the French who have so frequently been labelled poor travellers? Or is it merely that, so early in the season, few clubs have struck a consistent vein of form as they grapple with changing legal interpretations and the fact that, even since last season, the game has moved on? Out of ten first-round

matches, six went to the visiting teams of whom two -Toulouse and Pau - were French. Therefore the omens are good for Bourgoin's visit to London today for a repast seasoned by the presence in Harlequin ranks of their own Gallic connection. Laurent Cabannes, Thierry Lacroix and, the ace in the hole, Laurent Belligoi, the wing who helped Bourgoin to win the European Conference and reach the finals of the du Manoir Trophy and the national championship last

Belligoi. 27, has been closeted with Andy Keast much of director of rugby divided his time in analysing his French opponents, as well as the reasons for his own team's inconsistent form. "You can train and train, but it's all about execution on the day and if that's spasmodic, it looks as though there is no

pattern." Keast said. "I can't put my linger on the reasons for it. The attitude and application in training this week has been tremendous and I don't usually say that. Last year we went into Europe for the first time with tremendous enthusiasm: now we have a better understanding of what is required."

Bougoin have made significant changes since beating Cardiff 26-25 a week ago: Nigel Geany, one of two New

The chief executive of English Rugby Partnership. which runs the professional end of the club game, is to stand down at the end of the year. Kim Deshayes, at the helm during the long-running rift between the leading clubs and the RFU, wants to concentrate on other busi-

Zealanders in their XV, has moved to full back to allow the introduction of a new halfback combination of Patrice Favre and Dominique Mazille, the 36-year-old scrum

Whether Lacroix has the key to unlock the French door remains to be seen. He bruised a hip playing in the 48-40 win over Munster but is keen to judge the quality now emerging from France's leading clubs — particularly since his year in England has engendered a new-found enthusiasm for things English. I don't like the French mentality now, he said in a television interview this week. "When you succeed in France, people can be very jealous. Travelling in South Africa and

England has opened my eyes.

If his experience today is anything like Keith Wood's against Munster, one of his compatriots will close an eye for him. A roundhouse punch by Mick Galwey terminated Wood's game early, though the Irishman is back to lead Harlequins in a pack that includes the American, Luke Gross, and Rory Jenkins, the England A flanker. Perhaps Galwey's action should have attracted the attention of Roger Pickering, the tournament director, who has asked that referees apply the law to players feeding scrums and

"I have now watched 240 minutes of rugby and not one free kick was awarded for infringing the law regarding the put-in at the scrummage ... or throwing down the line of touch," Pickering said. "The scrum feed and the throw-in

are so basic and visible, and also so fundamental to a fair contest for possession that I believe we should tighten up

Jeremy Guscott plays his first senior match since breaking his forearm during the British Isles tour of South Africa in July. The centre appears for Bath against the Scottish Borders at Hawick in one of the three cup games to be played in Scotland tomorrow; the fourth Sunday match is in Brive where Pontypridd, beaten by Bath a week ago. must somehow claim victory over the holders if they hope to progress to the knockout

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BASKETBALL



### Bartle proves as good as his word on Britain debut

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Thompson, of Ireland, on

Welton Romance, O'Connor's

test lifted the Mark Phillips-

trained United States team

ahead of New Zealand, in

With the standard conspicu-

ously higher than on Thurs-

day. Daisy Dick, of Britain,

competing as an individual,

rose to the occasion with a

polished performance on

Headley Bravo to move into

eleventh. Other good tests

came from Bettina Overesch-

Boker, of Germany, on Watermill Stream, and Mark Todd, of New Zealand, on

Broadcast News, who are

fourth and sixth respectively.

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IN BRIEF

Scot lands

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DALE REID, of Scotland,

completed a round of 67, five

under par, for a share of the

defending champion, from

Australia, and Annika

Sorenstam, of Sweden, in the

opening round of the Safeco

Classic women's golf tourna-

ment in Kent, Washington. in

It was an encouraging per-

formance by the 38-year-old,

who is trying to salvage a

disappointing first full year

on the US LPGA Tour. Reid

collected three birdies and

chipped in for an eagle at the

par-five 5th. Sorensiam and

Webb, the British Open

champion, are vying for the

lead in the 1997 money list.

The leading trio are one shot

ahead of a chasing pack of

seven that includes Liselotte

Cycling: Yvon Ledanois, of

France, won the 219-kilometre

seventh stage of the Tour of

Spain yesterday with a deci-sive attack on the final climb

of the mountain stage from

Guadix to the skiing resort of

Sierra Nevada. Laurent

Jalabert, of France, the world

No l. who had been the over-

all leader, struggled and lost

the lead to Laurent Dufaux, of

Switzerland. He leads by

13sec from Fernando

Escartin, of Spain. Chris

Boardman, of Great Britain.

and Abraham Olano. of Spain, the pre-race favourite. both withdrew earlier in the

Motorcycling: Michael

Doohan, winner of II out of 12 races so far this season, took

provisional pole position for

the 500cc Catalunya Grand

Prix near Barcelona. If he

wins tomorrow, Doohan he

will be the first rider to win 12

races in a season. Giacomo

Agostini. of Italy, also won 11

Speedway: Paul Hurry has

replaces Kelvin Tatum, who

has a back injury, in the international against Austra-

lia at Swindon tomorrow.

Seventh heaven

Hockey: England beat China

4-2 on penalties after a thrill-

ing 4-4 draw to take seventh

place in the women's junior World Cup in Seoul. Jennie

down.

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Jalabert cracks

the United States yesterday.

seventh place.

Fox-Pitt might have chal-

third, by 0.4 points.

in Bartle's capable hands, United States, has taken the the exuberant nine-year-old quickly settled to produce a individual lead on his Badminton winner. Custom Made, after an outstanding test - marred only by the RESULTS flying changes - which has put him 0.6 points ahead of the defending champion. Lucy

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relaxed test, with near-perfect flying changes, to take fifth place. Although relieved with his mark. Bartle, ever the perfectionist, was annoyed with himself for not producing a better medium trot. Such concerns are likely to pale into insignificance today

when riders negotiate Michael Tucker's 30-fence course. which will test to the limit the trust between horse and rider. While Mary King, lying tenth on Star Appeal, "rubbed her hands with glee" when she

saw the course, few others share her enthusiasm.

O'Connor considers tougher than Badminton this year. "It's very strong and tough right from the beginning, with lots of blind drops and fences like the Land Rover Crossing and first water, where the horse doesn't know what's on the other side until he's in the air. I'm just glad we're riding such experienced

Blyth Tuit, lying 31st after a spirited test from his Olympic champion, Ready Teddy, described it as "bigger than expected and a proper champonship track".

Fox-Pitt, in common with many of the riders, is concerned about getting his horse to settle in time for fences three and four, the learsome Leafnit fences, "If you don't get a good start, it could all be over very early," he said. Thompson, whose Welton

Romance injured a leg last year, may take the longer route at fence four to avoid an early mistake on a course which, she says, "doesn't allow you to switch off anywhere".

Todd, a dual Olympic champion and the most experienced rider in the 79-strong field, summed up the challwith the quality of the field, it's probably warranted. Now it's up to us to put the horses in the right place to jump the fences." As he is going last, he will have the advantage of knowing how the course is riding before he sets off.

#### BOXING

### Reid scare intensifies anxiety over TV lights

By Srikumar Sen, boxing correspondent

lights over boxing rings. The maner assumes greater urgency after Robin Reid collapsed outside his dressingroom after he had defende his World Boxing Council super-middleweight title against Hassine Cherifi, of France, in Widnes on

Thursday. Reid was taken to Whiston hospital, where he was said to be suffering from exhaustion and dehydration. He was released yesterday afternoon. According to the BBBC, the

heat from the television lights had been excessive at many promotions. John Morris, the BBBC secretary, said that the board's doctors had been concerned about the heat for some time and that he had had talks with Christopher Brown.



Reid: taken to hospital

SKY Television has been director of boxing at Sky. asked by the British Boxing about reducing the power of the lights. Morris said: "Our cerned about the heat. It's not just because this was in a small hall. It has been very hot

in the Nynex as well." Frank Warren, the promoter, said afterwards that Reid had had to work hard to make the 12st limit for the bout; it is possible that part of the problem had been of Reid's own making.

Reid's next opponent will be Thulane Malinga, Since Reid had trouble getting past the long arm of Cherifi on Thursday night, he can expect problems from the even bigger South African. Sky's lights will be present

tonight when Geoff McCreesh, of Bracknell, defends his British welterweight title against Paul Ryan, of Hackney, at the London Arena. They are unlikely to be under the lights for the full 12 rounds, though, as both are punchers, and one is almost certain to fall. Rvan looks the

Since moving up to welterlight-welter. weight from though, Ryan has looked stronger. If his stance-switchstyle can frustrate McCreesh and cause him to lose his composure as he has done once or twice in the past, there could be an upset. It would be a surprise, though, if the champion did not prove too strong for Ryan.

ATHLETICS

### Beer garden detour takes Ballesteros over the limit FROM MEL WEBB AT SAINT-NOM-LA-BRETECHE

SEVERIANO Bailesteros the same club, essentially the mounted a grandstand finish to his second round in the Lancôme Trophy yesterday, but not in the way he would have wished, His 65 on Thursday was reminiscent of the Ballesteros of old; it did not take him long to wipe the smile off his own face.

Although they were showing the odd signs of rust after their serene progress of the day before, the wheels just about kept turning on their axies for 14 holes. On the 15th, one of them fell off - bogey. On the 16th, another trundled into the gutter after unscheduled visits to all sorts of arboreal hazards when his second shot ricocheted 50 vards off a stake - another bugey. By now he was wob-bling all over the shop, but nobody was really expecting the spectacular crash that

befell him on the last. As Ballesteros stood on the tee of the par-three 18th, he was still level par for the day. still six under for the tournament. The leaders remained in view, but in the course of the next few, grisly minutes he engineered his own

downfall. He drew out his five-iron and tried to cut the ball in. The shot failed in the grand manner, clattered into the green-side stand and skittered onwards and upwards, ending in the garden furniture outside the har. Out of bounds; calamity. Second time round he hit

same shot, but this time he got it right. Two putts later he had a textbook par with his second ball, but the two shots he had lost earlier left him with a double-bogey five for a 73, only four under par.

Ballesteros's post-round mood was not as expansive as it had been the day before, but he managed to make positive noises about his prospects. "I played great today, as well as yesterday," he said, "but things will change - I'll make them change." How, exactly? "Simple — by shooting 64 tomorrow." We'll be watching

Meanwhile, as all but one of Ballesteros's seven Ryder Cup charges advanced into the third round — only Darren Clarke missed the cut, on four over par - the lead was taken up by Tony Johnstone, of Zimbabwe, who cut a joyful figure as he

### DETAILS

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RUGBY LEAGUE

Tigers aiming

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revelled in a rediscovered putting touch that got lost somewhere three years ago. Johnstone had a 65 to reach lfway on (32, ten un Happy he might have been. but it is worth a small wager that sometime yesterday eve-

to mulling over his closest pursuers, and thinking about one of them might have turned the smile just the tiniest bit sickly. Greg Norman, the star turn of the week, was full

value for his consultancy fee. or whatever it is they are calling appearance-money these days, as he produced more birdies in the closing stages of his round than there are fleas on a camel's hump. Norman had started from

the 10th and reached the turn in a comparatively low-profile 34. He started back the same way, but having birdied the 5th, his fourteenth, he took to the idea and indulged himself hy picking up strokes every-where until he ran out of holes to play.

The five-birdie sequence

brought him hack in 32 and round in 66 to share second place with Peter O'Malley, a stroke behind Johnstone. Then he gave his thoughts on leading the world rankings. which he has topped longer than anybody else. "I've come to the conclusion that it's easier to get to No I than it is to stay there," he said. Easy, is it? He must tell us how; then we can all be stinking rich.

# Milestone of player who shot to fame

CASES of the murder of surprisingly rare. The story of a possibly unique event, the shooting of an English foorballer, is now the subject of a booklet. Tommy Ball was a Geordie centre half playing for Aston Villa and he was shot dead on Armistice Day 1923 by his landlord and neighbour, George Stagg. Ball, then 23, was thought to

have a great future in the game, but he was shot dead in a dispute about a dog and some chickens. Stagg, the killer, was an embittered exsoldier and former policeman. He had served in Egypt and Sudan and was wounded in the calf during World War One. In the course of the dogchicken argument. Stagg produced a shotgun and killed the

Stagg claimed that Ball was a wife-beater and had threatened to assault him, but these the court. He was found guilty and sentenced to death.

He appealed and escaped the death penalty, instead spending his life until 1966 in various asylums, including Broadmoor. The booklet that tells the story is The Murder of Tommy Ball: An Aston Villa Tragedy by Paul Lester, available for £3.95 from Protean Publications, 4 Milton Road, Bentley Heath, Solihull.

#### Regular hero

This column is delighted to bring news of a Tewin Irregulars player. Arthur Cuthbertson, who, aged 70. has just returned figures of nine for 38. He was playing for BBC Caversham against Whitchurch and the BBC managed 141 for seven (Cuth-

bertson DNB).
Whitchurch set off in good order in pursuit of this comparatively modest total and, at one stage, were 50 without loss. Even after losing their first wicket, they were well on course. Then Arthur set about them, but it all looked to be a gallant but unavailing effort for Whitchurch needed three to win off the last over with three wickets left. However, Arthur took his first hat-trick in 29 years with the BBC side and

### Aussie rules

An Australian was banned for life after refereeing an under-14 rugby match, in the course of which he knocked out a spectator. Arthur Thompson, the referee in question, said afterwards that it was high time that the game was cleaned up. He resented the abuse to which referees are In the incident in question,

Thompson reacted to criticism by taking off his shirt, declaring he was no longer a referee, seeking out his heckler and knocking him cold. Christopher Barrett then stepped in to the ensuing mélée and escorted the referee to safety. Then he discovered that it was his brother-in-law that had been the victim and that, additionally. Thompson had called his sister a slut. So he went back and hit Thompson. For this, Barrett was given a

four-week ban. Thompson was banned from refereeing for life and for all rugby activities for ten years. "I will admit that my hit was harder than his hit," Thompson said. "A lot bloody harder. If that's all he's got, he's got to learn to

The tribunal later defended Barrett's comparatively light sentence by saying that the and uncomplicated.

# SIMON BARNES



On Saturday

provocation was great. "It's like your best mate running off with your missus," a spokesman explained.

□ Alexandra Paul used to play a lifeguard in the television series, Baywatch. Now she plans to take part in one of sport's tougher events, the Iron Man Triathlon in Hawaii, which involves an openwater swim of 2.4 miles, 112 miles on the bike and then running a full marathon for afters. "I've done 20-odd films, 20-odd TV movies," she said. "but 1997 will go down as the year I pushed my limits."

#### Dead ringers

The San Francisco Giants baseball team was delighted to get permission from the city to move out of Candlestick Park and build a new studium. The San Francisco 49ers American football ream then wanted to do the same thing; at the moment, it shares Candlestick Park with the Giants.



The request was put to the city in a referendum and the dead themselves got up to vote. No fewer than 774 people with names identical to those of the dead took part in the ballot. The matter is now under investigation. The vote went in favour of the stadium by 1,400 votes.

### It's him again

Diego has for some time been friends of the disgraced sprinter, Ben Johnson. Both men, of course, are famous for drugs. Now the two have fallen out. Johnson had the temerity to suggest that Diego had been keeping bad company, a matter which hindered his attempt to break away from drugs. Diego declared that Johnson should "shut his mouth".

Diego hopes to play for Boca Juniors this weekend. The Argentinian FA has lifted his suspension for yet another positive drugs test after Diego's lawyers questioned whether the sample had truly come from Diego. Diego likes to stand beside Johnson in the fond belief that it makes him look both uncontaminated

SAILING

### Dickson wins in thrilling finish

FROM EDWARD GORMAN, SAILING CORRESPONDENT, IN PORTO CERVO stopped Boomerang dead in

THE ILC Maxi fleet at the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup put on a stunning display of closequarters inshore racing yesterday, with the five 80-footers finishing a 312-hour race seconds apart in glorious, sundrenched conditions off the Sardinian coast.

It was the series leader, the Bruce Farr-designed Sayonara, owned by Larry Ellison but driven for much of the race by Chris Dickson, that finally prevailed after stealing a 40-second lead up the last beat in sight of the finish. In second place was Alberto Roemmers' light wind flyer, Alexia, just ahead of Hasso Plattner's Morning Glory, with Don Smith's Falcon 2000 fourth and Sagamore, owned by Jim

> Dolan, fifth. Dickson, who is here enjoying a week off from his Toshiba Whitbread campaign, had his work cut out to shore between the islands, Morning Glory.

stav ahead in a southerly breeze that built from seven to 17 knots. "This is what yacht racing is all about," he said. "It was a tight race with five 80ft maxis doing ten knots around the race track within feet of each other all the way round. We were always in front, but only just."

The victory in the fifth of the cludes tomorrow, was Savonara's third and she remains the leader, but she can still be caught by either Morning Glory, which is second overall, or Alexia, in third

The ILC fleet has lost one of its number, George Coumantaros's German Frees-designed Boomerang, which hit the rocks at ten knots during the 105-mile offshore race on Wednesday. The impact, as the boat short-tacked up the

her tracks, breaking ring frames above the keel, which moved about two inches. Coumantaros, who was helming, was flung against the wheel and broke his

A total of 27 yachts are taking part in the regatta, including three Wally boats, the 183ft schooner, Adela, and a handful of British-owned racers including Mike Slade's Longobarda. Johnnie Caulcutt's Maxima, Richard Loftus's Swan 65. Desperado of Cowes, and Irvine Laidlaw's Swan 60, Highland Fling.

in the 14-strong CHS-handicapped cruising division, Loftus was last on the water yesterday, but was corrected to first for the third time in a row and is leading the class comfortably. The overall leader in the IMS division is

### Brown hopes to go distance

most likely to go.

By David Powell. ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

THE Great North Run has always been a match for the London Marathon in size, but it yearns for an Allister Hutton or Eamonn Martin, a men's race-winner of recent British vintage. It is 12 years since the Great North Run sampled the taste, so the arrival of Jon Brown in the North East yesterday provided a welcome bouquet for the race promoters. Will this be the year of Newcastle Brown? Benson Masya, of Kenya, will be seeking his fifth win over the 13.1-mile course from

been called up by England after a gap of nearly two years. The King's Lynn rider Newcastle to South Shields tomorrow but, for all his experience, it is Brown, something of a novice at the distance, who starts favourite. What is likely to be the biggest field assembled for an annual mass road race in Britain some 30,000 - will follow in Birmson scored twice as Eng-land came back from 3-0 the footsteps of an athlete on a new career path.

Brown is Europe's No I cross-country and 10,000 metres runner. However, recognising that the Africans are now too far ahead to be caught in the distance events on the track, he has turned to the marathon and is eight weeks into his build-up towards his debut at the distance in Chicago.

The 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney are his ultimate goal and he is pursuing the marathon because that is the only distance at which he feels he has a realistic chance of a medal. Brown's opponents tomorrow include Paul Evans, who will fear the Vancouverbased Briton more than anybody when he defends his Chicago Marathon title on October 19.

Run represents his only chal-

lenging distance race before

then. As much as anything, he

Marlene Renders and Sonia For Brown, the Great North

some hip will take the journey in its stride. "It will be a good indicator to me as to how my training has gone, to what is under the hood, and to what I need to do in the next five weeks," Brown said. Liz McColgan, seeking a third successive women's title. faces formidable opposition from Derartu Tulu, of Ethio-

pia, the world cross-country

champion, Yvonne Murray,

O'Sullivan. Television viewers last saw McColgan when she was narrowly beaten in an epic London Marathon. In recent weeks McColgan has won three races - "Mickey-Mouse races" to use her words. Now cartoon time is over and the stage cleared for another dramatic plot. "It is one of the toughest fields I have faced."

McColgan said.

will be hoping that a trouble-THE leading clubs enter the tomorrow with London Broncos entertaining Sheffield Eagles at the Stoop Memorial Ground in afternoon and Castleford

> in the evening.
>
> Castleford, whose good late-season form enabled them to avoid relegation from the Super League, are ap-proaching their quarter-final in confident mood with the champions having looked far from invincible in successive defeats by Wigan Warriors and London.

Tigers visiting Bradford Bulls

Stuart Raper, the Castleford coach, said: "They have lost their last two games and aren't on the roll they were on. If we can find some more chinks in their armour, I believe we can come up with a CRICKET

### Grayson raises frustration level

Essex, with two second-innings wickers in hand, are 128 runs alread of Glamorgan

GLAMORGAN experienced a day of barely suppressed frustration yesterday as the weather and Essex fed their anxiety to get the job done. The tension was only heightened by the fact that if they do win. and Kent draw, the destiny of the championship will be back in their own hands going into the final round of matches

They should get the desired result today but will east nervous glances at the skies this morning. Rain cost them 23 overs yesterday - taking the total lost in the match to 50
— and would have been still

CARDIFF (third day of four): more expensive but for the fast Danny Law during a burst in work of the Sophia Gardens groundstaff in mopping up the control of his late swing and

actually ended in draws. The tension surfaced as the crowd of 2,000 raucously urged on Wagar Younis every time he began a new spell. With a strong breeze blowing over his left shoulder, he

### Tufnell mops up after telling burst by Kallis

By JACK BAILEY

LORD'S (third day of four): Nottinghamshire, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, need 127 runs to avoid an innings defeat against Middlesex

THERE was naught for Nottinghamshire's comfort at headquarters yesterday. A gusting wind, showers. Phil and Jacques Kailis were their chief tormentors on a day when a long rearguard action was all that was left to them. They failed to avoid the follow-on and, with 220 needed to make Middlesex bat again. lost both openers

Guy Welton, playing in his fourth championship match. demonstrated a sound technique and Paul Johnson reined himself in but even on a pitch lacking pace, the odds favour Tuinell and one hopes that Angus Fraser may yet pick up a wicket or two.

Despite a notable innings

Today's local forecast is

uncertain and Glamorgan have come to expect nothing from the weather. They have lost more time in the championship than most sides almost 1.900 overs - and could claim that had the sun shone on them they would

noon, removing Irani and

ed cameo from Wayne Noon.

there was little hope that

Nottinghamshire would re-

cover significantly from the

loss of four wickets for 116

overnight. Afzaal and Tolley

added 32, but then Kallis

embarked on a piercing spell

that brought him the wickets

In the space of 31 balls and

plucked the heart from what

remained of the Nottingham-

shire innings. After that, well

though Noon counter-at-

tacked and innocuously as

Fraser bowled, it was only a

Tuinell had entered the lists

somewhat belatedly, but his

second five-wicket haul of the

championship season duly

arrived when both Evans and

Bowen were taken at short

fort ended with him stranded

in mid-wicket, before 25 overs

were lost to a downpour.

matter of time.

of both and that of Franks.

could save the game.

Prichard, two balls after reaching his fifty, chipped a long hop from Croft into the hands of deep square leg and ten balls after lunch Hussain played carelessly across the line. Watkin, the bowler, was suitably inspired in his next over to produce a delicious outswinger to Stuart Law, by Chris Tolley and a cultivatwho could only edge it to the

which he was in masterful

yorker, if not his manners,

pointing out Irani's way back

to the pavilion. Later, one of

the umpires. Ray Julian, saw

fit to ask Maynard, the Gla-

morgan captain, to keep his

Essex were playing on their nerves, though, by batting

with far more resolution than

they had first time around.

Four of the top six scored half-

centuries - Prichard, Hus-

sain. Irani and Grayson -

which was only as it should

have been, because the pitch still posed few problems,

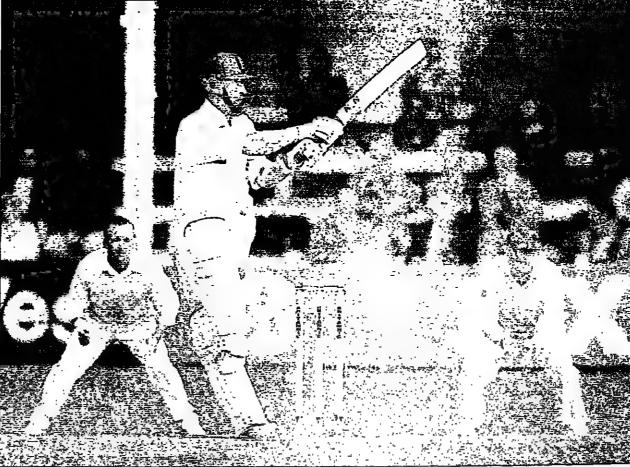
though Essex's early batting still did not suggest that they

players calm.

wicketkeeper. Glamorgan celebrated this prized wicket as though they had won the match, but it was from this point that Essex really began to showd some

Grayson, an exiled Yorkshireman and an unheralded but considerable cricketer, was at the heart of the resistance. He and Irani stayed together for an hour and 40 minutes and added 71; he and Hyam, playing because of Rollins's long-standing hand injury, for 70 minutes, put on

When Thomas had Hyam leg-before, his appeal encompassed the entire ground, and when Croft bowled flott, Essex's lead was exactly 100. Cowan hung on until the close, at which stage Grayson had batted nearly four hours for 83, taking his aggregate in the championship for the sea-



Hussain pulls for four in relaxed style during his half-century in the Essex second innings at Cardiff

### Peirce leads battle to Boon's reign offering avoid wooden spoon

By PAT GIBSON

SOUTHAMPTON (third day of four): Hampshire, with all second-innings wickets in hand, need 223 runs to beat

WHO needs two divisions in the county championship? The advocates of change argue that it would make the game more competitive yet there could hardly be a more fiercely fought contest than this one between two sides who would aiready be doomed to relegation if they were judged on their performances this

Sussex, beaten by some distance in seven of their past eight matches, are desperate to achieve only their second win to give themselves a chance of avoiding the wooden spoon. Hampshire were determined to avoid the ignominy of losing to Sussex when they set off last night in pursuit of a victory target of 200.

It has not been a pretty sight

but what they have lacked in quality they have made up for in commitment especially on the Sussex side. They looked down and out at the end of the first day but Hampshire let them back into the game with their feeble batting and yester-day Sussex continued to make

them pay for it. What was particularly heartening for Sussex after all that they have been through in recent times was that three of their younger players. Toby Peirce , James Carpenter and Amer Khan, were at the heart of the battle with career-best performances.

Peirce maintained his concentration through the morning showers to advance from his overnight 81 to a maiden century in just over 5½ hours off 303 balls with ten fours.

Carpenter made a more stylish 63 and Khan further exposed Hampshire's shortage of bowling resources with

### little encouragement BY DEREK HODGSON

CHESTER-LE-STREET (third day of four): Somerset (21pts) beat Durham (5) by eight wickets

THE loyalty of Durham's followers is now legendary. There was an autumnal edge to the breeze, rain threatend periodically and Durham were facing yet another de-feat. Yet a few hundred stalwarts were there, admittedly mostly to complain. On how many other grounds would they have even turned up? All there is to savour, in the sixth year in the first-class game, is the hope of finishing above Sussex and Derbyshire.

The two-year contract given to manager-captain David Boon can now be seen to be a mistake. That is not to disparage Boon's record, merely to point out that he is not a charismatic cricketer. He was a saviour for Australia, not a matchwinner. He has not been able to deliver the ex-

pected weight of runs nor the innovative leadership that could have lifted a dispirited

Somerset wrapped up this victory with almost insolent ease, winning before 2pm. Durham. 145 ahead overnight, needed another 60 from their last three wickets but their only real hope, Mike Foster, perished to Andrew Caddick's second ball.

The innings lasted only another 19 minutes, for three more runs, as Caddick and Graham Rose, as they had throughout the match, won more response from the pitch than their Durham counterparts.

With 149 needed to win, Somerset had 76 on the board, in 18 overs before Rob Turner was caught driving loosely.
Piran Holloway soon followed, leaving Simon Ecclestone and Mark Lathwell looking sorry that they were not able to bat all day.

Delay for Strang helps Kent title bid

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KENT'S prospects of winning the Axa Life League for the second time in three years were given an incalculable lift yesterday when Paul Strang was cleared to delay his return to Zimbabwe until after the decisive fixtures tomorrow.

Strang, whose leg spin has been so influential in Kent's one-day success this year, is due to start a Test match against New Zealand in Harare on Thursday and had originally been scheduled to fly home last week.

Kent begged a ten-day dispensation from the Zimbabwe Cricket Union, which continued to insist that Strang must catch a flight out of London tonight. Yesterday, however, Stuart Anderson, the Kent secretary, made a successful plea for an additional 48 hours, allowing Strang to play in the Sunday league decider at Headingley. He now has a flight booked

on Monday evening, which will allow him only 48 hours' preparation for the Test, but he will depart not knowing whether his wickets have earned him a new contract. Kent, who have tried unsuccessfully to contact their former overseas player, Carl Hooper, are undecided about their plans for next season.

Murtin McCague, who has missed the past three weeks with a back injury, hopes to return tomorrow for Kent. who have the title in their own hands. Victory over Yorkshire will secure the trophy; anything less and Warwickshire can still deny them. Warwickshire, two points

behind, are at home to Gloucestershire. They will take the title if they win and Kent lose; it will also go to Edgbaston if they win and Kent are washed out.

Though the two would then be level on points. Warwickshire would have won 13 matches to Kent's 12.

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### Donald's season ends in triumph

BY IVO TENNANT

EDGBASTON (third day of four): Warwickshire (24pts) beat Gloucestershire (4) by an innings and 81 runs

TO AVOID being beaten by an innings. Gloucestershire's remaining six batsmen, one of whom was ill and another suffering from concussion, needed to make 113 runs. That or a thunderstorm, There were two stoppages for rain but the match was still over by lunch, Allan Donald taking four wickets on his last championship appearance of the season.

Donald will return to South Africa after Warwickshire's important Axa Life League match tomorrow, to prepare for his country's tour of Pakistan. The wickets he took, one bowled and three to catches by fielders encircling the bal were enough to bring about victory. Hewson. Gloucestershire's young batsman, was too ill to open in either innines.

For the time being, Warwickshire are in third place in the championship table. If they beat Gloucestershire tomorrow and Kent lose at Headingley, they will have won the Sunday league and they were, of course, in the NatWest Trophy final. So they have had quite a season.

Donald had Davis caught at short leg with the opening ball of the day. There followed a 40-minute break for rain before, with his first over upon resumption, he had Ball taken at cover, the shot, as with so many by Gloucestershire in this match, a poor one. Russell, forced to retire after he was struck on the back of the helmet the previous evening, came out again and finished with the highest

score of the innings. He reached his half-century through cutting the ball over the slips to third man. Before he was well-caught by Piper, diving one-handed to his right, to take a ball that nipped back, Russell reached 1.000 runs for the season.

Donald then knocked out Smith's off stump to finish with figures of four for 63.

THE OVAL (third day of four):

Lancashire (24pts) beat Surrey

(3) by an innings and 55 runs

A MATCH of mind-numbing

mediocrity ended, with a day

to spare, when Lancashire

rolled over Surrey for a second

time yesterday as easily as

they had on Thursday. If

Surrey's players feel no shame

at this disgraceful effort -

"performance" is much too

dignified a noun - then Dave

Gilbert, their coach, should

tell them in language that

burns their ears. Then the

It is not as if Lancashire are

cocks of the walk. They have

had another poor season, and

the fact that Gary Keedy, a

slow left-arm bowler of un-

proven quality, took ten wick-

ets in this match, the last five

in seven overs after tea yester-

day, offers the Surrey batting

no favours. From first ball to

last they were outplayed and

such was their indifference to

the proceedings that it was

The most sorry performer

was Hollioake minor, whose

26 runs in the match repre-

sented 75 fewer than he con-

ceded in the 18 lamentable

hard to know if they cared.

committee should burn his.

### CRICKET: POSITIVE APPROACH SETS UP TENSE FINISH AGAINST CHAMPIONSHIP RIVALS

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Lehmann, who shared in Yorkshire's pivotal stand with Byas, hits a boundary off Strang, the Kent leg spinner. Photograph: Simon Wilkinson

### Yorkshire seize title initiative

BY ALAN LEE CHICKET COMPRESIONDENT

HEADINGLEY (third day of four): Yorkshire, with two second-innings wickets in hand. are 228 runs ahead of Kent

IF THIS tense, oscillating match was typical of the county championship, rather than a shining exception, there would be no need for the soulsearching debates about structure that will conclude at Lord's on Monday. There can surely have been no better game all season and, on a day shortened by 30 overs, Yorkshire tenaciously reclaimed the high ground.

Facing a deficit of 62 on a pitch with occasional tendencies to treachery, it was no mean achievement to bat through the day and establish a lead of 228. Darren Lehmann made 68, oozing class

Keedy main beneficiary of

Surrey's sorry surrender

By Michael Henderson

overs he bowled. In his case it

is almost certainly a case of

"How ya gonna keep them down on the farm now that

At this delicate stage of his

career, with all eyes on him, a

spot of humility might be in

order. He is not a world-beater

vet, and he owes Surrey a good

deal more than he seems

Not that Hollioake major

was much better. He contrib-

uted 22 runs and lost his off

stump yesterday, driving over

a half-volley. The tabloids have anointed him, unlucky

they've seen Parce?"

prepared to give.

and composure, and for the second successive day there was a resolute captain's innings to admire, this time 74 in four hours from David

It was a chastening day for Kent and, in one important regard, for England. The Kent attack lost its venom and, by tea, looked threadbare. Afterwards, as Steve Marsh went to hospital for an x-ray on a damaged -- but not broken -left thumb, they also lost Dean Headley, who retired to rest a nagging hip condition.

This, remarkably, made Headley the third of England's five chosen seam bowlers for the West Indies tour to suffer injuries in the four days since the party was announced. Ashley Cowan reported shoulder trouble on Wednesday and, a day later, Darren Gough sustained hamstring damage to add to

chap, but a single champion-

ship century this season tells a

different story to the one we

have all been reading. He does not lack talent. It's just a pity he keeps it to himself so often.

Keedy, who took four wick-

ets in Surrey's first innings.

returned career-best figures of

six for 79 when they followed

on 322 behind. Only Butcher

and Ratcliffe, who fell ten runs

short of a century, showed

much fight and the manner of

Ratcliffe's dismissal, bowled

round his legs by a full toss as

he swept, seemed appropriate

it is high time everybody at

Surrey grew up. Their private

bleating at unfavourable press

comment is as unappealing as

the public posturing of their

"stars", which has angered so

many people in the game.

They think the whole world is

against them, and they are not

far out. But. darlings, whose

Dames Bovill, the Hamp-

shire fast bowler, has been

forced to retire at the age of 26

because of a long-term back

injury. Hampshire have also

released Chetan Patel, the

Oxford Blue. Matt Swarbrick

and Glyn Treagus.

to the day.

fault is that?

TOP OF TABLE

16 6 2 7 29:50 200 16 6 5 5 33 56 192 including latest round of matches his previously injured left knee. There are a lot of tired

jokes about unfit England

bowlers but, right now, they

will not seem very amusing to The first surprising aspect yesterday was that play began on time after heavy overnight rain. Only six overs were possible, in two brief sessions, before lunch, but Yorkshire used them positively and the opening stand had almost cleared the shortfall when Mc-Grath fell in the tenth over.

His dismissal, to a ball from

igglesden that kept horribly

NORTHAMPTON (third day

of four): Northamptonshire,

with nine second-innings wick-

ets in hand, are 189 runs

ON DAYS like this the argu-

ment for promotion and rele-

gation in the county champ-

ionship begins to look an

awful lot stronger. Two sides,

Leicestershire and Northamp-

tonshire, both in the lower

middle reaches of the table,

with little to play for except

professional pride going

Even the derby element to

the match, dubbed by the local

wits as Rangers-Celtic of the

East Midlands, has failed to

For all that, credit is due to

Leicestershire, who showed a greater hunger for the contest

and played themselves into a

position that ought to see them

record their fourth champion-

ship win of the season. Their

total of 557 was their highest of

the summer and their lead of

225 should allow them to

They may have passed on

their championship crown but

Leicestershire remain one of

the hardest teams in the

attack today.

through the motions.

set the pulses racing.

behind Leicestershire

stead, it remained merely deceptive. Kent put too few balls in the right area. If Silverwood and Hutchison bowl as they did in the first innings, it might look different

low, aroused fears that this

pitch might disintegrate. In-

Vaughan played pleasantly for his 42 and looked mortified to mistime a pull and offer a looping return catch to Ealham. He was not the last to make this mistake, though, and it was more a reflection of conditions than carelessness.

The pivotal stand, restoring Yorkshire's ability to dictate terms, was that between the left-handers. Lehmann has quickly won the trust of his captain, as denoted by their conferences in the field, and together they irustrated Kent with responsible, though never negative, cricket. Runs continued to come at four an over,

Millns turns rustic as derby

fails to set pulses racing

BY BARNEY SPENDER

country to beat, their only

defeat coming, surprisingly, at

the hands of Sussex in a rain-

affected match at Eastbourne.

Partly, their season has

foundered on the weather and,

with the loss yesterday morn-

ing of 41 overs, they have now lost a total of 2134 overs this

season, the highest in the

country and the equivalent of

21 days' cricket. When play did get under-

way, Jon Dakin and David

Milins continued where they

had left off the previous eve-

ning, although they were

helped by some wayward

the average for this match, but there was none of the frenetic batting that coloured Yorkshire's first innings.
They had added 115 when

Lehmann, aiming to leg, was acrobatically caught-andbowled off a leading edge in Fleming's first over after tea. The innings now declined steadily. Byas managing only 16 from 20 overs after the interval and no one suggesting that they could keep him

company for long. White, Parker and Blakey were undone by the pitch and Byas's checked drive to cover was not quite as acquiescent as it looked. Gough hobbled in with a runner and offered some one-legged aggression, but the resourceful Ealham claimed his fourth wicket of the day and his eighth of the game before the weather closed in again. It promises to be an epic final day.

early bowling, especially from

Curran, who went for 19 off

Dakin played fluently to pass the 150 mark and, when

Bailey dropped him at slip

straight after, he marched steadily towards a double-century. He was undone, how-

ever, 10 runs short when he

pushed forward lazily at the

left-arm spin of Davies and

was smarly stumped by Rip-

ley. It was the shot of a tired

man and ended an innings

that had spanned 280 balls

and included 28 fours and two

It also ended a seventh-

wicket partnership of 207 with

Millns who duly completed his third first-class century

and his second this season. He

had played carefully to reach

three figures but he immed-

iately reverted to the rustic as

he hit Davies for a huge six

over mid-wicket that cleared

the scoreboard and landed in

Once Davies and Brown

had finally taken the last

three wickets, Matthew

Brimson gave Leicestershire

further hope of victory by

removing Fordham with his

the bowling greens beyond.

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SOMERSET First Innung; 217 pM N Lathwell 57;

FALL OF WICKETS, 1-76, 0-87 BOWLING Brown 10-0 52-0 Berrs 5-1-21-0, Fourth 11-1 48-2 Worker 6-1-24-0 Bowing 1-0-2-0 Month 1-0-1-0

Glamorgan v Essex CARDIFF gradicial of four). Excel with two

GLAMORGAN Frist Immg. 361 (H Mam 82 M P Maynard 71, D R Law 4 km 69) ESSEL First finnings, 169 (S.G. Law 85)

P Grayson not put

FALL OF WICKETS 1-2, 2-104, 3-123, 4-130, 5-211, 6-215, 7-277, 8-292 Banus poets, Glamorgan 8 Essex 4

Hampshire v Sussex SOUTHAMPTON (thed day of lour). Hamp shee, with all second-strangs wickels i hand, need 223 runs to book Sussex.

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J R Carporter o Kendali is Hayde
P W Javis o While is Moburn
J Balos o Maru is Stephenson
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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-35, 2-114, 3-142, 4-256, 5-245, 6-252, 7-257, 9-356, 9-960 BOWLING Milburn 33:3-106:3 Renchaw 27:3-10-52:3; Udal 44-12-98-0, Maru 21-6-30-0; Stephenson 25-5-78-1; Hayden 8-0-17-2.

Middlesex v Nottinghamshire

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P Johnson c Pooley b kalis
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C M Toley c Brown b Kalis
W M Noon run out
P J Franks c Goomg b kalis
M K P Evans c Shah b Turined
R T Bases not out
M N Bowen c Nash b Turined
Edites (B 8, nb 4)
Total (B1.1 overs)

BOWLING: Fraser 9-4-16-0; Howel 5-0-20-0; Bloomfield 7-3-13-1, Natios 6-3-14-0; Tutnell 12-3-24-1

A Fordham low b Brimson
R R Montgomene not out
S A J Boswell not out

#### YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

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PCWLING Warper Yourns 18-1-72-2, Worker 22-8-58-3; Croft 31-6-86-2; Crisker 11-3-25-0; Thomas 18-0-54-1, Umpires J.H. Harris and R. Julian

SUSSEX: First Innings 114 (S.D. Udat 4 for 17, S.M. Milburn 4 for 38)

Euras (b 4, lb 5, w 2, nb 4)

HAMPSHIRE: First innings, 245 (G W White 80, P R Whiteler 73; A A Khairi 4 lor 79, R J Kintey 4 tor 41).

Second Innings

BCWLING: Jarvis 5-0-15-0; Kirtley 5-2-14-0; Khan 2-1-2-0, Robinson 1-0-5-0. Umpres J C Balderstone and R A White

MIDDLESEX: First Immgs 430 to 8 dec (O.A. Shah 104 not out, J.C. Pooley 98, M.R. Ramprakash 55) NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Immgs

Total (91.1 overs) 210
FALL OF WICHETS: 1-69, 2-72, 3-73, 4-91, 5-123, 6-148, 7-162, 8-179, 9-207
BCWLING Frasor 14-7-24-0; Hewitt 17-8-80-0, Turnet 32, 1-6-51-5, Nails-18-5-39-4; Bloomfield 4-1-12-0, Ramprolash 6-3-18-0

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M P Dowman : Brown b Tutnell ...
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E Welton not out ......
P Johnson not out ......
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Bonus points: Middlesux 7 Notinghamshire 3 Umpres B Lexitoster and G I Burgese Northamptonshire v Leioestershire

NORTHAMPTON (third day of lour). North-amptonshine with nine second-innings wastets in hand, are 189 runs behind. Second Innings

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nans LANCASHIRE: First innurgs 592 for 4 dec IN T Vlood 155 M A Aberton 149 M H Fartinother 110 not out, G D Lloyd 65 not out, J P Crawle, 64) SURRIEY First Innings D J Sicknett this b Visitionson
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B C Hollocate of Wood bikeed,
J D N Subsbury biMartin
J E Benjamin of Fastioning biMartin
R M Armin of Hogg biMartin
M P Bicknell not out

tras (b 5, lb 6, nb 2) Total (84.5 overs) ..... TOM (64.5 OWCNETS) 1-103, 2-119, 3-111 4-171, 5-204, 6-245, 7-254, 5-254, 9-255 BOWLING Marin 12-64, 4-2, Chicapte 7-2-18-0, Regyany 5-1-20-, Ferby 25, 1-84-4, Walendon 25-7-75-3

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M P Bicknett by 6 ready
J E Benjamer not out
R M Amer by 6 Keedy
Extres (b 8, to 12)

FALL OF WICKETS 1-8, 2-89, 3-97, 4-173 5-184, 6-212, 7-239, 8-242, 9-257 BOWLING Marin 13:3:58-1, Chapple 11-1-48-1, Keedy 29:4-6-79-6, Walturson 16-0-53-2, Ridgway 2-0-14-0 Umpres A Clarkson and P Weloy

> Warwickshire v Gloucestershire

EDGBASTON (third day of four). Wannessaher (Lifets) beat Gloucestershire (J) by an arrings and 81 nms.
WARWICKSHIRE, First Innings 418 if J M K. Smith 148, DR Brown 79, NV knight 71, DC Homp 56; J Lewis 6 for 69, A M Smith 4 for 70. GLOUCESTERSHIRE First Innings 113 (N.M.K. Smith 4 for 32)

Second innings M G N Windows & Piper b We T H C Hencock b Gales R I Dawson & Ostler b Smith Lewis not cut . . A M Smith b Donald Extras (b 13, lb 3, w 2, nb 8)

FALL OF WICKETS 1-34, 2-71, 3-73, 4-77, 5-164, 6-186, 7-191, 8-222, 6-224 BOWLING: Donald 16 5-6-63-4, Brown 16-7-23-0; Welch 4-1-17-1, Giles 19-6-48-3 Smith 14-2-57-2 Umpres G Sharp and N T Plew

> Worcestershire v Derbyshire

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Extra (b 2, w 4, in 10)

BOWLING Lampti 10-1-55-0, Haynes 8-1-51-0, Shenyar 17-6-68-3; Hick 26-8-70-4 llingworth 23-7-46-1, Moody 5-0-30-0 Leatherdale 13-5-42-0 Bonus points Worcostorshuo 8 Derhashua 2

Umpres DR Shephord and AGT Whitehead Yorkshire v Kent HEADINGLEY (burd day of load) Yorkshire, with two second-irrangs wickels in hand, are 229 runs ahoad of keni

VORKSHIRE: First Interigs 31.2 (D.S. Lehmann 87, D.Byes 56 D.Gough 58; M.A. Eatharn 4 for 60, A.P. Igglesden 4 for 67). Second Interigs.

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C White b tyglesden
B Parker c tyglesden b Eatharn
R J Blakey flow b Eatharn
C Guyth b Eatharn
C E W Stiverwood not out
R D Stemp not out
Extra (b 5, b 11) 

BOWLING Headley 13:1-67-0 ligal: sden 14-0-56-2; Flemma 18-5-56-1 Salnam 13:1-0-41-4, Strang 14-3-50-1 Wells 1-0-5-0 KENT: First Immigs 374 (S.A.March 84, T.R. Werd 56, M.V. Florning 53, C.E.W. Silvenvood 7, top 92) Bonus points: Yorkshire 7 kent 8 Umpres H D Bird and B J Me.er

### **Derbyshire restore** pride in fightback

By RICHARD HOBSON

WORCESTER (third day of four): Derbyshire, with two second-innings wickets in hand, are 33 runs ahead of Worcestershire

AFTER two days when little had gone right. Derbyshire could take satisfaction from a resolute performance yesterday. Not only did they avoid the ignominy of an innings defeat, but they also averted the need for an extra half-hour against a Worcestershire side that appeared to have taken

victory for granted. Harris, the nightwatchman who had not faced a ball on Thursday evening, set the tone with a career-best 36 when play resumed. The home side fielded poorly, dropping four catches in all, and struggled to contain a lively ninth-wicket stand between Krikken and Lacey in the final half-hour.

There was assistance for the spinners and Hick, without a championship wicket this season before Thursday, has five for the match so far. Yet the turn was slow and Illingworth in particular dropped too short too often. Tweats and Barnett profited handsomely during a partnership of 150 in 43 overs.

Keedy: career-best return

Tweats hit 15 fours in a championship-best 83 before being howled around his legs by Illingworth but Barnett continued to attack anything wide outside his off stump during his 86. However, Moody was rewarded when Leatherdale, at silly mid-off, pouched both Clarke and Barnett in the same Hick over

before tea. Cassar struck Illingworth onto the pavilion roof with his second scoring stroke but fell attempting to pull Hick.

### BASEBALL

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LAMPETER: Welsh Women's Bowling Association national championships: Finals: Two-wood singles: L. E. art. (Port 1910). B. Morgan (Lundindod) Welts: 13-12 Four-wood singles: B. Morgan (Lundindod) Welts: U.A. Leant (Sounderstoot) 21-16. Undor-25 singles: Ir. Sommerheld (Londinadod Welts) 17-Pairs. M. Davet, and D. Rosegards (Laudinadod Welts) 17-Pairs. M. Davet and D. Rosegards (Laudinadod Welts) 17-2 Six orthories and J. Filips: O'rest-working 12-12. Timples: grad J Hine (Cite-wording) 21-12. Triples Peri Tutho) (L Evand La Mount Pleasant (J de Souza) 14.11. Fours. (Linterant (J Triumter) to Port Talbot (L Evand 22.21. Opuble nmic Lundradod Wells bi Sophul Guidans (Cardill) 45-40

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### CRICKET

SECOND 31 CHAMPIONSHIP: Third day of four Bristok Worcestershire 5429 declard 961 1A Halices 58 not out; Glouoestershire 283 and 355 (C M W Respiral 48 not out; C M Gupta 60 M J Rawnsley 4-99) Worcestershire were by time workers. Second day of three; Taurion Somerast 196 and 87 (K P Dutch 4-11) Middlesex with by, an intrings and 38 turis. Final day of three; Bournemouth Sports Club Rem 193 and 234 Hampishie 257 and 1764 (G R Trougus 86) Hungshire with by so wickershired 186; Hungshire with by so wickershired 186; Hungshire with by so wickershired 187 (T M B Rulley 57 not out 0 A Alfred 510; and 287 (F J Innex 76 A J Swann 65. G P Swann 56. M A Shokin 5-46) Warwick-shire and 500 has not been 186. Warmen Dire von to, no archete
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# Watson and S Carms halved with N Edwards and I Campoett Singles Loveson lost to Donaldson 6 and 5, G Rankin loca to Pair 3 and 2, Masterase bit Pflington 2 holes Paind lost to Proc 2 and 1 Tambull bit Taylor 3 and 2 Farmer to Edwards 6 and 5 Fox halved with Hams, Carms lost to Campbell 4 and 3, Fox 1 Edwards 6 and 1 England 5 Ireland 0 (England names first Foursonness of Wolstenhorme and J Ross bit J Fanagan and N Fox 3 and 2 P Rowe and M Blacky bit is kearing and J Mors 4 and 3, 1 Donald and M Reynard bit 6 McGimpsey and 9 Omelie 4 and 3, C Edwards, and 8 Prutpson bit E Power and A McCompet 3 and 2, A Wanningth and K Watbank bit A Morrow and D Dunne I and I I belend 8's Wates 6's.

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LAHINCH, Ireland: Women's home amateur internationals: Socilura 51: Viales 33; Incland 3 England 6

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SEOUL: Women's junior World Cup: Play-offs: Fitth-eighth: China 1 South Africa 1 (South Africa win 4-1 on pens), South Korea 6 England 3 Nirsh-heelith: Span 4 United States, 2: Canada 1 Ukrame 9 Seventh-eighth: England 4 China 4 (England won 4-2 on pens) Fitth-sixth: South Korea 3 South Africa 1. Semi-finels: Austraka 2 Argentina 1 (set), Hotland 3 Germany 1 ICE HOCKEY

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SPEEDWAY ELITE LEAGUE: Apswich 57 Wolver-hampton 32 Swindon 53 king & Lynn 37 SHEFPIELD: Top Gun junior champ-lonship: 1 J Barkinship: (Newscattle), 3, S Stead (Poterborough): 3, D Howe (Pater borough): 4, D McAllan (Berweck) TEMMIS

BOURNEMOUTH, Men's tournament: Quarter-finals: F Monita (Sp. b) C vac Garsso (Sp.) 6-3, 7.6 o Rucedob (GE) to L Amodd (Arg) 7-6, 6-3 M Ondouble (SA) b J Daz (Sp.) 7-5, 6-3 M Ondouble (SA) b J Daz (Sp.) 7-5, 6-3 M Ondouble (SA) b J B S G 4-4 Monita (SA) b J (fi) 6-3 6-4
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MANCHESTER UNITED WEST HAM UNITED Today, 3.0



Oliver Holt It is too early in this fractured season to be talking about top-ofthe-table matches with any relevance,

but this encounter between two of the clubs setting the pace at the top of the FA Carling Premiership should at least establish West Ham's credentials and give a few clues as to whether they can stay some-where near the leaders or slip back towards the middle of the

After a start to the season that has brought them three wins and a draw from their first five games, the match this afternoon is, in fact, the first of four that will test West Ham to the limit. After the champions, they have to play Arsenal, Newcastle United and Liverpool in quick succession. If they are still in touch with the leaders after that sequence, they will have earned the right to be taken seriously.

Of all of those matches, though, the one at Old Trafford is likely to be their toughest. United, as always, seem only to have the kind of problems most other clubs envy going in to the game: which international players to rest, which positions to juggle around. With Blackburn

Rovers playing tomorrow, United will go to the top of the table if

It is almost certain that Cole. who has started only one match this season, will continue in attack but, in the absence of Sheringham, who is still recovering from the cracked ribs that kept him out of England's match with Moldova, he will probably be partnered either by Scholes. one of England's midweek heroes, or Poborsky.

Alex Ferguson, the United manager, who has been using a squad system at Old Trafford almost as extensively as Ruud Gullit at Chelsea, said yesterday that he would play Poborsky for at least half the match, and it seems likely that he will use his presence to give either Scholes or Beckham some rest after their exertions on international duty. There is also a chance that Johnsen will return in central defence in place of a rested Berg. United, who have not hit their

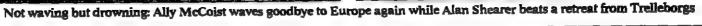
best form so far this season despite remaining unbeaten and without conceding a goal, may have to raise their game to beat West Ham, whose strikers, Hartson and Kitson, have started where they left off last season and who have become an even more potent attacking force thanks to the addition of Berkovic, playing just behind the front two. It should be an entertaining game, but United will be too strong.

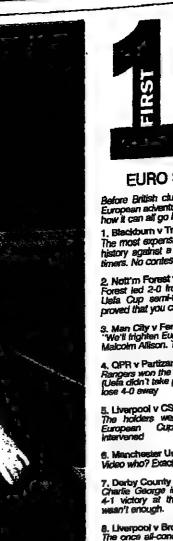
MANCHESTER UNITED (probable; 4-4-2), P. Schmetchal — G. Neville, G. Pellister, R. Johnsen, D. Iwer, — D. Beddram, R. Kenne, N. Butt, R. Gagge, — K. Potonsky, A. Cota.
WEST HAM UNITED (probable: 4-3-1-2); L. Middako, — S. Potts, R. Ferdinand, D. Unsworth, T. Breecker — S. Lomas, J. Morrour, S. Lacardols — E. Berkovic — J. Hartson, P. Kitson,
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TELEVISION: Today: Metch of the Day, BBC1 10.50pm, extended highlights.

PREDICTION: United to win by







**EURO SCEPTICS** 

Before British clubs embark on another-European adventure, here's a reminder of how it can all go hombly wrong Blackburn v Trelleborgs (1994)
 The most expensively assembled side in history against a team of Swedish partimers. No contest, surely. Er, not quite

2. Nott in Forest v Anderlecht (1984) Forest led 2-0 from the first leg in their Uela Cup semi-final before Anderlecht proved that you can buy success

Man City v Fenerbahçe (1968)
 "We'll frighten Europe to death," i. Malcolm Alisson. They didn't

4. QPR v Partizan Belgrade (1984)
Rangers won the first leg 6-2 at Highbury
(Uela didn't take plastic), but contrived to
lose 4-0 away

5. Liverpool v CSKA Sofia (1982) The holders were poised for another European Cup, until Grobbelaar Intervened

8. Manchester United v Videoton (1985) Video who? Exactly!

7. Derby County v Real Madrid (1975) Charlie George inspired the Rams to a 4-1 victory at the Baseball Ground. It wasn't enough.

8. Liverpool v Brondby (1995) The once all-conquering Reds beaten at Antield by the only goal of the ite

Men Utd v Sporting Lisbon (1964)
 A 4-1 win at Old Trafford took Matt Busby to the brink of the Cup Winners' Cup semi-final\_Then they lost 5-0 away

10. Chelses v Atvidabergs FF (1971) Chelses went out on away goals after a record 21-0 aggregate win over Jeunesse Heutcherage in the first round

11. On yes ... and Rangers in any year you care to mention Compiled by Richard Whitehead



Boiton may be without their new defender, Elliott, for many months because of a fractured leg, but at least they are like ly to have Taggart, who missed Northern Ireland's midweek slump against Albania through

Brian Glanville

injury. They will certainly need him against the deadly spearhead of Bergkamp, who has seldom been in finer form, and Wright, whose two goals for England should help to release him from the apparent burden of chasing Cliff Bastin's club record.

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**ARSENAL** BOLTON WANDERERS

prove in his quest for a place in the 1998 World Cup finals. Having dropped four points in

Today, 3.0

games against Leicester City and Tottenham Hotspur, which they snould have won. Arsenal can Belgium, will have a point to Bolton scarcely look the team to 3-1.

stop them, though their resilience in coming back to draw against Coventry City, after going two goals down, suggests that they have heart. Blake scored both Bolton's

goals that day and an Arsenai defence still waiting for the return of Adams — who should begin on the bench today - might have problems with the Wales striker and the indestructible Beardsley.

TELEVISION: Today: Match of land for their game against hardly afford to falter again and PREDICTION: Arsenal to win



Oliver Holt After their bravura start to the season, one en them to the top of the

FA Carling Premiership, kept their unbeaten record intact and earned Roy Hodgson his first manager-of-the-month award, Blackburn face the first real test of their championship credentials at Ewood Park this afternoon.

BLACKBURN ROVERS

LEEDS UNITED

Tomorrow, 4.0

It is a test not so much because the visitors are Leeds United, a dour side built for survival and very little else. but because Blackburn have been badly affected by injuries. Ripley, of course, is the most high-profile absentee and the loss that could be the most damaging to their cause. After a promising start as a second-half substitute for England against Moldova on Wednesday night, Ripley pulled a hamstring and could now be out of the Blackburn team for six weeks.

Rovers have already lost Filan, their goalkeeper, with a broken arm and have lingering injury worries about Hendry, who suffered concussion against Crystal Palace a formight ago, and Wilcox. Martin Dahlin, the £2.5

million signing from AS Roma, may be used on the right side of midfield and there could be a first start for the highly-rated Swedish midfielder, Anders Andersson.

Blackburn should still have too much flair, though, for a Leeds side that has slipped towards the bottom of the table after a mediocre start. The lively performances of Wallace and Hasselbaink in attack have been the only chinks of light in the gloom.

The best hope for the visitors is to try to hold out for a goalless draw, but Gallacher and Sutton, the Premiership's leading scorers with II goals between them, look as though they could break down the most stubborn of defences at the moment.

Live on Sky Sports 1, 4.0. PREDICTION: Blackburn to win by one goal



Keith Pike International week, which used to see Everton's training ground deserted and the likes of Derby County carry on

regardless, nowadays offers an insight into both the cosmopolitan nature of the Premiership and the relative decline of the once-

mighty Merseysiders.

Jim Smith, having flown to Copenhagen to see three of his players in action as Denmark took on Croatia, returned to Pride Park to fret about the well-being of Dailly (Scotland), Poom (Estonia). Eranio (Italy). Burton (Jachope (Cost



DERBY COUNTY EVERTON Today, 3.0

comparison. "With nine international representatives on a pretty regular basis, it shows the quality of the players we have," Smith said, with obvious pride.

But will that come before a f mildly inconvenienced by Derby thanks to one late goal and goal again.

Smith fears the threat that Duncan Ferguson will pose today. "When he is firing in the air, nobody can touch him," he said. Set-pieces these days are Everton's most likely route to goal and with Hinchcliffe set to return at the expense of Thomas, ruled out by a calf strain, or Phelan. similarly afflicted and doubtful. the delivery from corners and free kicks is sure to improve.

DERSY COUNTY (possible; 3.5-2): M Poom — C Dally, I Strinc, J Laureti — S' Banio, A Assnovic, L Cereley, J Hunt, C Powell — D Sturidge, F Baiaro.
EVERTION (possible, 4-4-2): N Southell — E Berrett, S Bilto, D Welson, A Hinchoffle — J Cestr, D Williamson, G Speed, G Stuart — D Ferguson, N Bermby.

TELEVISION: Today: Metch of Rica). Howard Kendall was only Twice last season. Everton beat #PREDICTION: Everton by one

latest case for treatment after

returning from Norway Under-21

duty with an ankie injury. Sinton is

out as well, as are long-termers

Anderton, Vega, Austin etc etc.



Sasa Curcic is a new man, would seem. Over the past week, he has asked to come off the transfer list, begun a diet and put in extra training. His rehabilitation will be completed

Richard Hobson

this afternoon if he replaces lan Taylor, who is struggling with a groin problem, in the Aston Villa Brian Little, the Villa manager

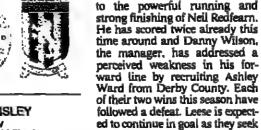
acknowledges that a fit and focused Curcic is too good not to be playing in the first team. Equally, there is an obvious vacancy for a midfield player who can break beyond the front two. Villa, second from bottom, have not scored from midfield for 11



BARNSLEY ASTON VILLA Today, 3.0

Premiership games stretching back to last season; indeed, Draper, Taylor and Townsend managed just four league goals between them throughout the 1996-97 campaign.

Barnsley, in contrast, owed much of their promotion success



latest setback against Derby. BARNSLEY (possible: 3-4-1-2) L Lesse — A de Zesuw, M. Appieloy, A. Moses — N. Eaden, N. Hedfeem, E. Trikker, D. Barnard — C. Marcalle — A. Ward, G. Hristov A Ward. G Hinstov ASTON VILLA (possible: 3-5-2): M Bounich — U Briogu. S Stauriton, G Southgale — F Nelson, M Draper, 5 Culac, 8 Glayson, A Wingh — 8

to maintain that record after the

TELEVISION: Today: Match of

the Day, goal highlights.

PREDICTION: Villa to sneak it.



Robinson

The mercury passed 100F in Madrid on Wednesday, enough for any sensible Spaniard to settle

down to a siesta while the grockles gazed at Guernica or ticked Velázquez's La Familia de Felipe IV off their list of mustsees. Sprinklers were working overtime from the Retiro to the Estadio Vicente Calderón. It was a nice day in Leicester, too, but not quite the same. It is understandable that

thoughts in the East Midlands have turned already to tapas and the Plaza Mayor, but Leicester City are unlikely to take things casy before flying out tomorrow



LEICESTER CITY TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

to prepare to take on Atlético Madrid, spenders of silly money on Juninho and Co. They are not a team who take their collective foot off the gas., They are also free of injuries and suspensions. Not so Tottenham Hotspur, for whom Iversen has become the

Today, 3.0

Fortunately, Armstrong is fit after nine months of ankle problems and four goals in two recent reserve games, so too is Ginola (shoulder). Edinburgh is suspended, Calderwood back after a similar ban. A changed team, then.

LBCESTER CITY (probable; 3-5-2; K Keller—S Prior, M Elliott, S Weish—P Kaamark, R Sevage, N Lemnon, M tzeit, S Guppy—S Claridge, E Heskey
TOTTEN-HAM HOTSPUR (possible; 3-5-2) I Walker — J Scales, S Campbell, C Calderwood
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TELEVISION: Today: Metch of the Day, extended highlights.

PREDICTION: Home win, but only just.



Kempson Kevin Richardson could return to haunt Coventry, only a few days after switch-

ing his allegiance from Highfield Road to The Dell. Richardson will captain South-ampton on their trip to the Midlands but Gordon Strachan, the manager who sold him, is not worried that he might be able to reveal the strengths and weaknesses of his former team-mates.

"We parted great friends and with great respect for each other," Strachan said. "I don't think Kevin can pass on too much information about us. Perhaps there are one or two little bits but, anyway, clubs are usually quite bly well. Come to think of it,

Matt Dickinson

London's Italian

community will



COVENTRY CITY SOUTHAMPTON Today, 3.0

thorough in the way they do their homework." Richardson. who played in Coventry's past three games, is at least likely to have pinpointed the fact that his old mates haven't won for four matches and are not doing terri-

neither are Southampton, whose sole success this season is a 1-0 win against Crystal Palace, those South East London giants, Dave Jones, the manager, con-tinues to search the length and

breadth of Scandinavia for play-

ers who are prepared to move to

Hampshire but it is unlikely that

his side will surge up the Premier-ship until Matthew Le Tissier, he of the blissful artistry, recovers from a broken arm. COVENTRY CITY (probable 4.5.1) S Opnowe — R NOSOR R Shaw, P Williams, D Burlows — D Huderby, P Teller G McAllister, M Holl J Salako — D Dublin

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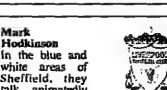
TELEVISION: Today: Match of the Day, goal highlights PREDICTION: Low-scoring draw

BLACKBURN ROVERS (probable: 4-4-2)T Flowers — P Valey, S Henchez, C Hondry, J Korna — M Derlin, L Bohmon, G Plazek, J Wilcox — C Syster, K Gallacher LEEDS UNITED (4-4-2) N Martyn — G Kelly, L Rachebe D Wetherds, D Robertson — H Kwest, A I Haaland, D Hopten, B Room — R Wallace, J F Hasselbertk, Tremmer S Durn

TELEVISION: Tomorrow:

ON MONDAY

Brilliant insights or hopeless guesses? Check our writers' predictions against their weekend match reports



in the blue and white areas of Sheffield, they talk animatedly about last season's trip Anfield. Wednesday supporters

Mark

have voted the I-O win as the best moment of the season. It was the day that Peter Atherion manmarked McManaman, with ruthless efficiency, a tactic adopted by many of Liverpool's opponents thereafter. However, there will be precious few Wednesday followers able to tell Anfield tales this time. The Anfield Road End is under renovation and tickets have not been made available to visiting supporters.

"We are going into a cauldron,"



LIVERPOOL SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY Today, 3.0

according to David Pleas, the Wednesday manager. He will take Jim Magilton, who has joined Wednesday from Southampton, and Nigel Clough, on a month's loan from Manchester City, with him, signings to ease an injury crisis that has claimed

Donaldson and Pembridge. Benito Carbone is suspended. Leonhardsen has recovered from a hamstring injury and wore a Liverpool shirt for the first time this week when he played for the reserves against Birmingham

City. He is expected to be a substitute. Robbie Fowler injured

his knee again in training and

Booth, Oakes, Humphreys,

will play no part today. LIVERPOOL (probable: 3-5-2). D. James — 8 T. Kvarma, M. Wright, St. Harfness — R. Jones, M. Thomas, P. Inca, S. McMonaman, S. I. Bjornebye — K. Redela, M. Owen SHEFFIELD WIEDNESDAY (probable: 4-4-2). K. Pressman — I. Nolen, J. Newsonne, J. Walker, S. Nicol — P. D. Canlo, G. Hyde, J. Magillon, P. Afharton — G. Whittingham, D. Hirst. Referee: G. Pol.

TELEVISION: Today: Match of the Day, goal highlights,

PREDICTION: Comfortable win for Liverpool.



dare to show their faces in public at Selhurst Park today, safe in the knowledge that club loyalties will consume national rivalry for at least three weeks. And they call football fans

That is assuming Gianfranco Zola plays for Chelsea, which seems likely. Ruud Gullit, the coach, has yet to pick the same two forwards from his pool for consecutive games and the little Sardinian, despite having had his ego bruised by the goalless draw in Georgia on Wednesday, may break the sequence today. Gullit's



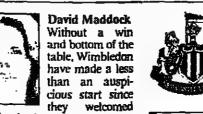
**CRYSTAL PALACE** CHELSEA Today, 3.0

that worked so well in his days at AC Milan may have raised a few eyebrows, but he has all the evidence that he needs in Chelsea's record of three consecutive wins that have yielded 12 goals. It is hard to see that powerful championing of the squad system run ending against Steve

Coppell's team, who are in danger of developing a phobia in front of their own fans. The Palace manager may throw in the Israel international, Itzhik Zohar, his 51.2 million signing from Royal Antwerp, to shake things up and he will hope that a sell-out crowd can lift his side to their first home point after defeats by Barnsley. Southampton and Blackburn Rovers.

CRYSTAL PALACE (probable; 3-5-2) A Milor — D Tuble, M Edworthy, A Linighan — K Museal, A Lomberdo, A Roborts, N Embren, D Gordon — P Warhurs, B Dyor CONTELSEA (molpable; 3-5-2): E de Gooy — M Duberry, S Clarke, F Lebcoul — G Le Saux, D Petrescu, G Poyet, D Wise, R Di Marios — M Hughes, G Zola. Referee G Ashby

TELEVISION: Today: Match of the Day, goal highlights. PREDICTION: Cheisea's surge



wealthy backers from Norway. They have rarely found Newcastle to be an inviting place. In seven meetings between the clubs. Wimbledon have won one. To cap it all, they have injury

problems with Jones, Holdsworth and Euell absent, and Earle away on international duty for Jamaica. Joe Kinnear, the manager, is about to exploit the Norway connection, however. He watched Staale Solbakken, the international midfield player, score against Switzerland on



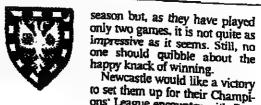
NEWCASTLE UNITED WIMBLEDON Today, 3.0

Wednesday. "I've decided I would like an Norwegian player to replace Leonhardsen," Kinnear

Newcastle have the only remaining 100 per cent record this

said. A payment of £380,000

to Lillestrom will grant his



even though Batty is suspended and Pearce is doubtful. NEWCASTLE UNITED (probable: 4-4-2): S Given — S Watten, A Fisher, P Attent, J Berestord — T Kestbela, J Burnos, R Lee, K Gillespie — F Apprila, I Rush, William — F Apprila, I Rush, William — K Curningham, C Peny, D Blackwell, A Kimble — Curningham, C Peny, D Blackwell, A Kimble — N Ardey, C Hughes, P Fear, 3 Castleckne — E Bioliu, M Garrie.

TELEVISION: Today: Match of the Day, extended highlights. PREDICTION: A close counter, Newcastle to shade it.

ons' League encounter with Bar-celona on Wednesday. History

suggests that they might get it,

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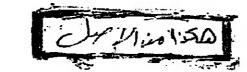
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### European setting for latest chapter in tale of two cities

The cities of Glasgow and Liverpool are similar, and so are the passions of their people. That is why I believe our Uefa Cup earne against Celtic next week will be akin to a derby, and not the "Battle of Britain" that so

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many people seem to be expecting. Maybe it has something to do with the devolution debate, but there has been a strong emphasis on this idea of tervent rivalry between England and Scotland. If you look closely at the two clubs, though, they have so much in common that I don't believe that

there could ever be any genuine Liverpool and Celtic have had strong links for generations, even before the Kenny Dalglish transfer, when a real relationship was established. Since then Celtic have

played in a few testimonial match-

es, such as the one for Ian Rush.

But I think it is the experience of the supporters that has given the two clubs such an affinity. Both cities have gone through bad times, both are tough dock-based cities and the people of both cities see life from a certain angle.

They have gone through depressions and, at times, the football club was one of the few areas to generate civic pride. These days both cities are vibrant, lively places and the spirit of the people is still strong. That is why I expect there will be a certain warmth between the two clubs. Mind you, there will still be a desperation to win.

I think the experience of Celtic has mirrored that of Liverpool, We were both dominant clubs in our own countries who were also successful in Europe for a long period. Both clubs have slipped slightly off the top in recent years, though, and are looking for tro-

phies to get right back up there. Celtic, perhaps, have even more need to do well this season than we do, but both sets of supporters will be demanding victory and nothing

That is why there will be passion at both legs of this tie. Liverpool, at least, have history on their side. We have never lost a European tie against a Scottish club - here's hoping that the trend continues.

THOSE with good memories may recall that, back in February, I wrote in this column that I believed passionately that England would qualify for the World Cup finals despite a home defeat at the hands of Italy. It seems that everybody else is now beginning to believe the same.

After the Italy game at Wem-



on English football. The feeling was that we just were not good enough and that the Italians were in a different league, technically and tactically. I suggested then that we were quite capable of going to Rome and heating

It is something that I still think we are capable of doing. It won't be easy, obviously, but it is possible. italy were not that much better than England at Wembley. We didn't play particularly well

and we allowed the Italians the time to get behind the ball far too bley, a gloom seeemed to descend - easily. But they had one vital factor

that we lacked - luck It was a lucky deflection for their goal; we didn't get the same luck in front of

Since then, however, we have proved that we are a good side, and Italy have slipped up a little. Now we go to Rome only needing a point and there will be no doubt that is in England's favour. Italy are a very difficult side to break down when they can afford to sit back. Now they need to come out and score a goal, which will allow England some space on the

break. The onus will be on them. Their

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14. K Burge

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17. S Lodge

18. G Ashby

5. M Bodenham

supporters will be on edge, urging their team forward and demanding victory. England will go into the match knowing that if we don't concede a goal, we will be in the finals. I know which position I would rather be in.

I don't think we will go there solely to defend. As I have suggested, we are as good a side as Italy. There seems to be a perception in this country that the foreign nations are better than us. People always say the Germans, the Italians, the French are the great-est, but we should be saying that it's us.

There is nothing for England to fear. We should have the belief that we can match any other country and I think that the events at Le Tournoi de France proved that. Rome on October II may be the

■ Home improvements

THERE has been a suggestion already about Liverpool that our home form will again not be good enough to enable us to win the championship — and all that after one match at Anfield!

We play Sheffield Wednesday today and there is no doubt that it will be a difficult challenge. Wednesday came to our ground last season and snatched a surprise victory, and many people have suggested that that was the moment when our home form col-

lapsed. I think things will be different this season, though. Last year we were perhaps a bit one-dimensional up front. If things

weren't going right for us, if sides were defending in numbers against us, then we did not have too many options to change the game. But our manager has recruited well over the summer, and now I think we can be a very different side.

Up front, we certainly have more options with the addition of Karlheinz Riedle and the emer-gence of Michael Owen. What they allow us to do is to change our tactics during a game and com-pletely transform the style of the

We can start with the five-man midfield but, if things are not going as planned, we can easily switch to a 4-4-2 formation, or even play with three strikers up front.

I think that will be valuable to us this season. There is no doubt that we dropped too many points at home last time around and that cost us any chance of the championship. Sides will always come to Anlield to defend and we must devise ways to break them down.

With our midfield and forward line this season, I am sure that we will be even more adaptable and it will give us those all important

STEVE McManaman

### **FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP**

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2. MANCHESTER UTD (2)	5	13	+8	2	0	0	4	0	2	1	0	4	0	4-1-0	W2
3. WEST HAM UTD (5)	5	10	+3	2	0	0	5	2	1	1	1	4	4	3-1-1	W1
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7. TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR (9)	5	7	-3	2	0	1	4	4	Ð	1	1	. 1	2	2-1-2	D1
8. NEWCASTLE UTD (7)	2	6	+2	2	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	2-0-0	W2
9. CRYSTAL PALACE (8)	5	6	0	0	0	2	1	3	2	0	1,	4	2	2-0-3	L2
10. BARNSLEY (10)	5	6	-6	1	0	2	3	9	1	0	1	1	1	2-0-2	L1
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12. BOLTON WANDERERS (13)	4	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	4	4	1-2-1	L1
13. COVENTRY CITY (12)	5	5	-3	1	2	0	6	5	0	0	2	0	5	1-2-2	L1
14. EVERTON (15)	4	4	-2	11	0	2	3	5	0	1	0	0	0	1-1-2	L1
15. LEEDS UTD (14)	5	4	-3	0	t	2	1	5	11	0	1.	3	2	1-1-3	L3
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19. ASTON VILLA (20)	5	3	-6	H	0	1	1	4	0	0	3	2	5	1-0-4	W1
20. WIMBLEDON (17)	4	2	-4	0	2	1	2	4	0	0	1	1	3	0-2-2	L2

#### ATTACK Avge 3.50 3.00 2. Blackburn 1.80 West Ham 5. Manchester Utd 1.60 1.50 6. Newcastle 1.25 7. Liverpool 1.20 8. Coventry 1.20 =, Shetfield Wed 1.00 11. Bolton 1.00 =. Crystal Palace 1.00 Tottenham 0.80 14. Barnsle\ 0.80 =. Leeds Utd =. Southampton 0.75 0.75 =. Wimbledon 0.60 19. Aston Villa 0.33

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2. Newcastle	1	0.50
3. Derby	2	0.67
4. Blackburn	4	0.80
5. Arsenal	5	1.00
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=. Leicester	5	1.00
=. Liverpool	4	1.00
10. Tottenham	6	1.20
=. West Ham	6	1.20
12. Chelsea	5	1,25
=. Everton	5	1.25
14. Leeds Utd	7	1.40
t5. Wimbledon	4	1.75
16. Aston Villa	9	1.80
=. Southampton	9	1.80
18. Barnsley	10	2.00
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Aston Villa	3	27,801
Barnsley	2	24,390
Blackburn	2	28,981
Bolton	3	16,833
Crystal Palace	3	26,608
Chelsea	3	21,031
Coventry	2	46,199
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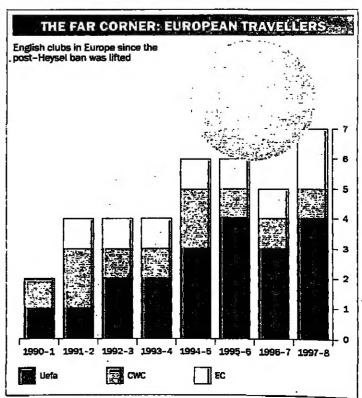
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Arsenal	37,713	98%
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Blackburn	24,454	78%
Bolton	23,131	93%
Crystal Palace	21,198	81%
Chelsea	30,008	95%
Coventry	19,213	81%
Derby	27,232	91%
Everton	36,717	91%
Leeds	35,615	89%
Leicester	20,871	97%
Liverpool	35,007	100%
Manchester Utd	55.041	98%
Newcastle	36,747	100%
Sheffield Wed	28,186	71%
Southampton	15,161	99%
Tottenham	26,187	79%
West Ham	24,935	96%
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Arsenal	3	24,778			
Aston Villa	3	27,801			
Barnsley	2	24,390			
Blackburn	2	28,981			
Bolton	3	16,833			
Crystal Palace	3	26,608			
Chelsea	3	21,031			
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Perpetual motion personified

Martin O'Neill, the dynamic Irishman who has plotted the rise and rise of Leicester City

ilence is not one of Martin O'Neill's virtues. He mistrusts it. habit-words and his favourite phrases when it creeps up on him at the end of sentences. Sometimes he uses repetition to conquer it and the lovely. lilting rhythm of his speech quickens for the second serving. Silence never catches him

In his waking hours, he keeps a vigil against rest and relaxation, too. He refuses to let it impose, not at work, not at home. He hums with nervous energy, his eyes dart, he leans forward eagerly in his chair when he is enthusiastic about his subject, which is always. He worries at things. he gnaws at them. He never

This particular lunchtime, he is sitting behind the door marked "Coaches" Room" at Leicester City's training ground, a series of lush and carefully tended pitches at the end of a suburban cul-de-sac near Filbert Street. There are comfy chairs in the room, but he is sitting on a hard one. perched on the edge, talking about why he can never stop football whirring around his

don't find it easy to relax away from the game. Most boys pick up golf and things like this here and that type of stuff, but I don't, I can't, haven't got an ability to be able to relax at the end of it all. I would love to be able to do it and I do envy managers who. once they step into their car to go home, the game no longer counts for them. Well, I am not one of those unfortunately.

"My two daughters and my wife have to listen to me persistently about this and about that, about the game. And when they come in and put a point of view and I don't agree with that point of view. then it's bedlam and it goes on forever. I can't do it. I can't let go. That has been the story in our household for a number of years. I have got plenty of other interests, don't worry about that, but football is never that far away.

"Even as a player, funnily enough, I was always last out of the dressing room, still contemplating the game. That is just the way I am. unfortunately, and at some stage i should really wise up. I should wise up. If somebody could tell me how to do it. I would do. I

when

This week, though, might not be a good time to try. On Tuesday, Leicester City, the team that has become English football's favourite underdog. the side that still gets putronised as "little Leicester" despite everything O'Neill has achieved, will take to the pitch at the Vicente Calderon stadi-

comment and people shouldn't in their 113-year history. Despite all the other ties next week, matches like Newcastle

United's clash with Barcelona and Manchester United's trip to Slovakia to play Kosice, it is the first leg of Leicester's Uefa Cup tie against a Spanish team that spent more than £36 million on new players over the summer, including a goodly slice to Middlesbrough for Juninho, that is the most eagerly awaited.

t is archetypal underdogagainst-giant material, a team who won their first L big trophy for 33 years they beat Middlesbrough in the Coca-Cola Cun final in April and spent £2 million in the summer against a team that laid out 12 times that much just for two players. Juninho and Christian Vieri. the former Juventus centre

forward, a team that is expected to challenge strongly for the Spanish league this season.

take it too seriously. would probably have

preferred some minnow and tried to take it all a wee bit further, but now we're there. why not go for it? We should not have any chance if it is on money spent this year. We should not have any chance. but we are in it and we'll give it

Win or lose, few would bet against Leicester giving a good account of themselves both away and at home against Atlético. The feast of attention that will be lavished on the club over the next fortnight is bound to focus attention once more on the future of the manager who shares with Joe Kinnear, of Wimbledon, the distinction of being the FA Carling Premiership's most

Yet O'Neill, will not represent an easy seduction for the big boys when they come calling. In 52 years with



parsimonious husbander of limited resources and a brilliant motivator, O'Neill is bound to be next up when a vacancy at a bigger club appears during the annual autumn managerial culling. Whether he takes the bait is a different matter altogether.



as a typical Irishman, that I have never mapped a day out. never mind anything else. If you are trying to plan for a career, good luck to you, but if impossibility.

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edition will set you back £245,

with him," Ames said.

All in a name

One for the scrapbook: O'Neill, who normally barely pauses to catch his breath, taking a moment in the autumn sunshine to relax from the pressures of management in the Premiership

first ten games in charge and there was hell to pay, you would be surprised that you would be speaking to me now. But I wanted to see the job through. I don't like to leave and think I have only half done the job.

It has gone well since, but it precarious. I don't fashion out a career. I just do everything I possibly can where I am so that at least I can turn around and say 'I worked my

guts out to do this and I was worth every penny someone paid me'. Leicester City can minute.

About that, there can be no dispute. A traditional yo-yo club, swinging crazily between the top division and the next down, Leicester capped their Coca-Cola Cup triumph by finishing ninth in the Premiership last season. They began this campaign with a win against Aston Villa, victory over Liverpool at Anfield and draws against Manchester United and Arsenal. Despite a subsequent loss to Sheffield Wednesday, it has been such a fine start that they are clear favourites to beat Tottenham Hotspur at Filbert Street this afternoon.

It has got to the point, in fact, where some have begun to accuse O'Neill, who studied law in Belfast before he started his career in football, of being disingenuous, of promoting an image of a team low on talent to full opponents into a false sense of security when the reality is that Leicester have matured into a formidable side, stocked with fine players such as Matt Elliott, Neil Lennon and Emile Heskey.

"We have got one or two

other people didn't want to bit of a smokescreen, but we have still got a lot to do to be remotely near that big league. would at least like us to be on a level playing field with the likes of West Ham United and

decent players," O'Neill said.

"but all of them are players

be able to go out and spend £6 million or £10 million on a few players. Our wage bill, if it is not the lowest in the Premiership, it would certainly be in the bottom three and if people here are really serious about this being a big club and wanting to build stands and the rest, then their thinking will have to come into the idea of players, players' demands. that type of stuff. We seem to be delying the logic that passion and spirit can only go so far. How long you can do it, though, is in the lap of the Gods.

Then, there is a breath and a pause. Just in case you thought Martin O'Neill and deckchairs went together naturally, though, he sat in this one long enough for the camera to click through 36 frames. Nine seconds, then he was



NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

THE Vauxhall Conference has long been fighting for all its clubs to all be exempted to the fourth qualifying round of the FA Cup. So the news that an the Conference chief executive.

since last year, has recommended "a more representa-tive structure" to the full committee has naturally been welcomed by Peter Hunter.

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tion can only be enhanced by a structure that reflects the game as it is now and rules that reflect the progress made by clubs at many levels of the game," he said. It seems, therefore, that it is a case of catch-it-while-you can for ties like that between Kettering Town, one of ten Conference clubs in action in the first qualifying round, and Mirrlers Blackstone, at Rockingham Road today.

The ingredients are classic. Small former works club from the United Counties League. with an average crowd of 100 that is only significantly swollen for contests against local rivals. Stamford Town, travels to play a Conference club for

Domenico Genovese, 36, the Mirrlees player-manager. shares the same workplace as Steve Berry, his opposing player-manager, because he is the football in the community officer for Kettering. "Our paths cross quite often." Genovese said, "and I've been taking some stick in recent

Himself a past Kettering player. Genovese knows that the main threat from Kettering will be posed by the

Nuttell and will be looking to one Derek Nuttell - yes, his brother — to contain him. With Kettering, still without

a win after eight matches, anchored to the foot of the Conference, Genovese knows that his opponents are under pressure. The longer we keep it at 0-0, the more the crowd is likely to get on to them," he said. "We don't expect to win. but you never know what can happen in the Cup. Mind you. I don't know if I'll still have a iob if we heat them." For Derek Hall, the

Mirrlees secretary, the match is guaranteed to be a success. "We will reap the benefit off the field," he said. "I was speaking to their secretary and he said the gate should be about 1,200 and mentioned a figure of about £2,000."

Leek Town, promoted to the Conference as the UniBond League champions, have a swift return to former pastures when they travel to play Winsford United, while Baldock Town, beaten at home in a replay by Stevenage Borough last season, but now without most of that team who left after relegation to the Dr Martens League southern division, take on Slough Town,

#### loyal bunch, but it may be stretching it a bit to expect them to invest in the latest Stamford Bridge publication — The Spirit of Chelsea Football Club, written by Neil Barnett. Though it boasts to include everything you've always wanted to know about Chelsea, and

plus £9.50 for insured delivery, Club members and season-ticket holders have al-Football enthusiasts might ready been circulated with recall that Cable-Tel used to this solendiferous offer and Lance Ames, marketing manbe known as Inter-Cardiff, but ager of Sirdar Press, the publishing company, reports who are the boyos from TNS? Apparently, they are the vila healthy response. For those lage club formerly known as with even greater financial Llansantffraid, who repreresources, the deluxe leathersented the principality in the European Cup Winners' Cup mortgage-sized £595,000, plus last season. For £300,000, they £9.50 to make sure you receive have sold their souls to a it. Will Ken Bates, the chaircomputer networking comman, receive a freebie copy? pany for five years. "I'm sure we can do a deal

### Live on air

Football managers never read the newspapers, so they claim, One of the strangest-sounding but Mick McCarthy didn't fixtures this season will take need to when he watched the place in the League of Wales Ireland Under-21 side play in between Inter Cable-Tel and the Lithuanian outback of Total Network Solutions. Alvius on Tuesday. As the sole

English journalist covering the match shouted his story into the antiquated telephone, little did he realise that his entire report was being simultaneously broadcast, via the public address system, to the 1,000 spectactors. Even Mc-Carthy, not the greatest admirer of the Fourth Estate.

Antonio Fargas, alias "Huggy Bear" from the Starsky and Hutch cop series f the Seventies, represented the ultimate in street cool. He has barely changed 20 years on, apart from a Ninetiesstyle bottle-blond hairdo. and on a recent visit to Good Old England he helped celebrate the launch of Palace Radio before Crystal Palace played Blackburn Rovers at Selhurst Park. It was his first soccer" match. "It was excellent, I really enjoyed it," he said. "You could say I'm now a fan of Crystal Palace, this is my team." Perhaps Huggy is not so cool, after all.

### Change of luck

A month in football is a long time, especially for those brave lads from the Maldives. After failing in their bid to

reach the World Cup finals having scored no goals and conceded 59 in five qualifying matches, they rediscovered their touch by reaching the final of the South Asian Football Federation tournament in Kathmandu. It was not without cost, though. After they had beaten Sri Lanka 2-1 in the semi-finals, their players were allegedly attacked by disgruntled members of the Sri Lanka squad and coaching staff. Police took about five minutes to restore peace and calm.

### Anyone but them

Manchester City's official club magazine has launched a fantasy football league, Strangely, contestants are not allowed to select players from Manchester United. "It's meant to be a bit of fun," Mike Hansell, who runs the compe-

STRANGE BUT TRUE: Sam Lucas, 53, a fanatical, Sunderland supporter, is considering suing the club for "emotional distress" after his season ticket failed to arrive and he was unable to watch the first game at the new Stadium of Light.

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Mark Hodkinson visits Oldham and finds a chilling warning for Barnsley about what can happen when Premiership euphoria fades

### Ghosts that haunt game's fall guys

utes after the kick-off, "Play the bugger to feet, will you?" an uld how in a fawn annrak houts, his voice almost lost in the wind. Down on the pitch, the play remains fractured and almost wilfully negligent. The old boy turns in his seat, looking for another soul to share a glance of resigned empathy.

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The stands at Boundary Park, home of Oldham Athletic, are sparsely populated, so the grum-bling echoes all around. These are the ghosts of Premierships past. where the wailing never stops and a glorious yesterday taps persistently on the shoulder.

Just four seasons ago, Oldham Athletic were in the top division. Amost every seat was taken as the likes of Manchester United, Arsenal and Liverpool visited a ground that is one of the highest above sea level in England. It really did feel like heaven was

within touching distance. The town, with its terraced houses and disused mills, perpetual rain and pop groups with names like Wonky Alice, suddenly had glamour by association. A staunch following of about 4,500 supporters tripled and cars were festooned with club stickers as everyone claimed part-ownership of their home-town team. This same fer-

secured their place in the FA Carling Premiership.

Success not only brings Manchester United to a football club, it also brings queues, parking problems, ticket shortages, street sands of new converts, usually in such numbers to change significantly atmosphere within a ground. "It all suddenly

became very strange," Pete Mason, editor of the Oldham fanzine, Beyond the Boundary, said. "It got so that you knew the people who shoul near you, but there was then all these new people. I would be selling the

fanzine and I'd see people coming up who fid seen around Oldham who I never knew were interested in football." These nouveau supporters are recklessly ostentatious. They buy everything on sale at the club shop and parade their new love with

shameless zeal. Inevitably, they

know little of football's culture, or

fail to appreciate that a football club is for life, not just a metaphorical Christmas. At Oldham, they

were dubbed "Good time Charlies", while at Barnsley, they are known as "Johnny Come-Lateleys\*, Barnsley had just 2.500 season ticketholders last season and a further 5,000 regular supporters who could be considered true to the cause. The club has

issued 17,000 season

tickets this season.

which means that the seat next to you at Oakwell is likely to be occupied by a Johnny with a doublebarrelled surname.

So far, their loyalty has been absolute and their period of support has embraced a disheartening 6-0 home defeat against Chelsea. Unfortunately, the Oldham experience does not bode well. "I don't know whether Oldham people are just more lickle than most, but I remember people trying to sell their season ticket just a few months into the first season when we won promotion." Mason said.



An Oakwell season ticket has suddenly acquired a new kudos and become one of the most-prized possessions in Barnsley

Oldham spent three seasons in the top division, the second two in the newly-inaugurated Premier League, but they were relegated in 1944 and last season were slipped down again to the second division of the Nationwide League. Supporters believe this rapid demotion was precipitated by the club's

policy of selling its better players. The place has gone down drastically. I suppose you could say that the rats soon left a sinking ship. I reckon we've kept a tiny proportion of those fans from a few years ago, maybe something like two per çent," Mason said.

Tony Bugby, of the Oldham

Evening Chronicle, has seen their fall from grace from uncomfortably close quarters. There used to be about 40 reporters at the ground on match days. There is probably just half a dozen of us now. Once a club goes into freefall, it is hard to see when it will stop,"

Barnsley, of course, feels unique in its delight. It does not want to find the ghost of its Premiership future on the other side of the Pennines. They are right to live for the moment, though an occasional glance at a certain Lancashire club might well be salutary. A life in football can easily go wonky, alas.

# 'The friend of flair now unwilling to take risks'

The coach now plotting England's downfall in Rome is likely

to maintain a cautious approach

he Italian is a resilient being. Knock him down and he

comes back for more. That is why the outcome of England's World Cup match in Rome on October 11 is far from a foregone England need only to

draw; Italy have to win to take the group and be sure of qualification. The pressure, as Glenn Hoddle correctly said after England had easily beaten Moldova, is now on the Italians, who stuttered in Georgia, but the de-cades in which Italy could never beat England are a remote memory and England have not overcome them since that remarkable victory in New York in 1976, when Ray Wilkins and company turned defeat into

triumph. lialy have risen from the ashes before, notably in the 1982 World Cup in Spain. Their three qualifying group performances were so dire that a fiery young Tuscan manager, Eugenio Fascetti, made a vicious public attack on Italy's longsuffering coach, Enzo Bearzot. Suddenly and surprisingly. Italy took wing in Barcelona, Paolo Rossi, just out of mothballs after a two-year suspension, scored six goals in three games and Italy beat West Germany in the final.

Cesare Maldini, the Italy coach, will remember all that very well and may draw solace from it. After all, he was No 2 to Bearzot. What he will not be able to do, as Bearzot did then, is to impose a period of what his predecessor called "disintoxication" - in other words, one in which he could clear his players' systents of what he saw as the poison of their domestic championship, which will be in full flow by October II. Maldini probably had a

point when, before the Georgian anticlimax, he bewailed the fact that Serie A had scarcely begun, just as, before England beat Italy in the Tournoi de France, he complained that it was scarcely finished. Maldini has, inevitably, been subjected to bitter criticism after the draw in Tbilisi, above all for his supposedly negative and anxious attitude. Contrary to Italian practice, he did not announce his team until he gave it in the

Perhaps the most surprising thing is that Maldini - once the high priest of catenaccio, with its sweeper defence and man-mark-



ing, as opposed to the zonal defence of Arrigo Sacchi, his immediate predecessor should now be embracing 4-4-2. It suggests how hard he was hit by England's win in France, a result that, psychologically at least, wiped out the effects of italy's win at Wembley and put them on the back foot.

It was already highly likely that the team would go into the game in Rome with that result in France in the back of their minds. The fact that they have nov slipped a point behind England will double their anxiety since, for all their skills, they tend to be oddly vulnerable in this way.

heir lack of recent success under Maldini will increase the burden. Seen in his native habitat, the Milanese restaurant L'Assassino, where he has eaten since he played for Milan, Maldini cuts a commanding if approachable figure: emphatically king of the long, top table. He exudes authority, but has never quite occupied the heights he does now.

He came in last year on the crest of a wave of relief and jubilation. Sacchi, the zonal man, the arch-priest of caution, a mistruster of brilliance, the nemesis of such as Roberto Baggio and Gianfranco Zola, was gone. Here came Maldini, the professional of professionals, once an Italy international himself (where Sacchi had hardly kicked a ball); the weathered and relaxed manager of a successful under-21 team, the friend of flair.

All that changed in France, just as Maldini's tac-



Maldini, once the high priest of catenaccio, now embraces a different tactical approach

tics did. He has been excoriated for the caution of his strategy in the first half in Tbilisi. A throw-back to the infinity of careful, nega-tive Italian teams, unwilling. for all their talents, to take

Against England, he and Italy will badly miss Roberto Di Matteo, whose two foolish fouls in quick succession earned him that second yellow card and had Maldini hopping in dismay on the touchline. Neither Conte nor Albertini has quite the graceful fluency of

the Chelsea player, even though Conte has been getting goals for Juventus. But England, against such players as Baggio. Zola, Del Piero and probably Inzaghi — all capable. in the Italian phrase, of "inventing the game" — will have their own problems.

Paul Gascoigne comes into that category. His could be a poetic farewell to that Olympic Stadium, where the Lazio fans once adored him, but his sparkling performance against Moldova might cynically be seen as a

superb piece of rabbit-kill-ing. Italy will not give him that time, that space, although the return of Paul Ince will allow him some licence to express himself.

For whom, moreover.

would Gazza make the bullet

to fire? Les Ferdinand fired blanks at Wembley, Stan Collymore is still an international tyro. Oh for Alan Shearer, who could have made so much difference in Rome. No easy game to predict, then, but I still believe it will be a

### Former glories offer hope for Aberdeen

By Kevin McCarra

WHEN he was first with Aberdeen, Jim Leighton, the goalkeeper, must have been soothed by the sight of the red jerseys that protected him. Nowadays, his mood can hardly be so serene when he looks out at his defence. Much has changed since he left Pittodrie in 1988.

In Leighton's last season with Aberdeen, his team twice defeated Rangers in Glasgow. Over the nine years that have followed, the club has only been capable of adding two more victories at Ibrox to their total. This afternoon, Aberdeen travel to face the champions once again and do not seem equipped for the task.

Roy Aitken, the manager, is exasperated with the frequency of reports that Aberdeen have won only two games in the Bell's Scottish League premier division since December of last year. It would be easier to suppress memories of last season, however, if his team had made a better start to this

They are yet to win a game and, with two points, find themselves ninth in the table. A kindly interpretation of events would state that the many signings made in the summer, with Leighton among them, have still to settle. Some support for the argument comes from the fact that Aberdeen have reached the semi-final of the Coca-Cola

So far in that tournament, they have only faced clubs from the lower division, but Aberdeen were drawn away on each occasion and might have been expected to encounter troubles. Making an impression at lbrox, however, would do rather more for their reputation. This may be as reasonable moment as any to be facing Rangers.

Walter Smith's team were knocked out of the Coca-Cola Cup by Dundee United on Tuesday and although a few internationals who were then absent, while playing for their countries, have now returned, there is still a feeling that Rangers are slightly uncom-fortable at present. Their unease will grow if Andy Goram is unavailable.

Suffering from a groin strain, the goalkeeper is unlikely to face Aberdeen and his deputy, Antti Niemi, is also unavailable, having injured a finger during Finland's World Cup qualifying match on Wednesday. The position is liable to be occupied by Theo Snelders. His career, and that of Leighton, suggests that only the place of employment changes in Scottish football, while the names remain unal-

Yesterday, however, brought one new arrival. After months of intermittent negotiarion. Celtic have bought the Denmark central defender,

United, for El.5 million, Although Rieper, 29, is not eligible for the Uefa Cup-tie with Liverpool, he is expected to make his debut at Motherwell this afternoon.

He is the seventh player to have been purchased by Celtic since the appointment, in July, of Wim Jansen as head coach. The team is beginning to take shape, but, with Jorge Cadete sold and Darren Jackson recuperating from brain surger has found it difficult to take chances in front of goal. It is a failing Celtic cannot afford to repeat against Motherwell at Fir Park this afternoon.

Yesterday, however, club's fortunes did take a turn for the better. They will receive a rental fee for Scotland's final World Cup qualifying match, against Latvia on October II. since it has now been relocated from Easter Road to Celtic Park. Victory would almost certainly ensure Scotland's place at the finals and the Edinburgh ground, with a capacity of 16,000, is too small to meet public demand.

Scotland last played at Celt-ic Park in April when they defeated Austria, the group leaders, 2-0. Paul Lambert, the Borussia Dortmund midfield player, who was outstanding in that victory, said: This is the biggest game that Scotland have played for many years. Everyone wants to see it. I'm sure the place will be electric,

### Robson serves new Brazilian blend

By Russell Kempson

CYNICAL supporters of Middlesbrough might consider that one member of the Emerson family in their side is one too many... but two of them? They will be able to judge more accurately in the Namatch against Bradford City this afternoon when Fabio, the cousin of Emerson, makes his debut.

Bryan Robson, the Middlesbrough player-manager, signed Fabio last year when Emerson was experiencing one of his all-too-regular son had hoped that it would cure Emerson of his pining for the beaches of Brazil and help him to settle in the North

It appears to have had the desired effect, with Emerson now apparently integrated into the Teesside way of life. but Fabio has been unable to break into the first team. With 13 players either ill, injured or suspended, however, Rob-son's choice is limited. Emerson Mk II, thus, gets his

Fabrizio Ravanelli, not surprisingly, is unlikely to be playing alongside him. Although Robson gave his Italy striker permission to return home last week, he failed to



ing yesterday. "I will answer no questions on Ravanelli, Robson said, not for the first time leaving the club's fans in happening with the player.

Wolverhampton Wander-ers, who play Charlton Athletic at Molineux today, have completed the signing of Jason Roberts, 19, the Hayes forward, for £250,000. Roberts is the nephew of Cyrille Regis, the former England and West Bromwich Albion striker, who also started his

career with Hayes.

Nots County, the third division club, has escaped with a warning after an incident during the league game against Lincoln City at Meadow Lane last month, when Phil Richards, the refercc, was allegedly assaulted by a spectator who ran on to the pitch. The Football Association has notified County that, after carrying out an inquiry, it has decided not to take any further action.

### West Ham looking to regroup WEST Ham United are on the

hunt for reinforcements after the departure of Marc Rieper to Celtic yesterday. Rieper's £1.5 million move, together with Slaven Bilic's transfer to Everton and injuries to Richard Hall and Julian Dicks, have left the club short of defensive cover (Matt Dickinson writes).

Ian Pearce does not appear to be one of the possible recruits after Blackburn Rovers' valuation of £3 million, an asking price that is also likely to prohibit any move to Crystal Palace.

Steve Bould, Arsenal's 34year-old centre half, is likely to move to Upton Park on a free transfer, but the Highbury club is reluctant to sanction the transfer until Tony Adams has returned to full fitness, particularly with the Uefa Cup match against Salonika looming next week.

Gordon Strachan, the Coventry City manager, paid tribyesterday on the goalkeeper's

fortieth birthday.
Ogrizovic, who broke the club's appearance record when he turned out for the 538th time last season, lines up against Southampton today. "All I can say is that my admiration for Steve grows every week," Strachan said.



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# Wenger calls for radical changes

By OLIVER HOLT, FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

AS THE fractured football season prepared last night for its third restart in the five weeks since the new campaign began. Arsene Wenger, the Arsenal coach, voiced his frustration at the increasing dislo-cation international football is causing domestic competition and called for a radical restructuring of qualifying

Wenger, whose team take on Bolton Wanderers at Highbury this afternoon, articulated the dissatisfaction feit by the majority of supporters over the way the season has been disrupted. He complained that it was impossible to get any feeling for the shape of the new FA Carling Premiership when some teams. like his own, had played five games and Newcastle United had only played two.

The Frenchman also criticised the spread of dates used by national teams to play their matches with the result that some compete on a Saturday, some the following Wednes-day. He said that all countries should be made to play their qualifying matches for competitions such as the World Cup

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and the European champion-International dates have al-

ready wiped out two Premiership Saturdays, even though England were not involved on one of those occasions. matches will go by the board on October 11 to accommodate England's match with Italy. Scotland's with Latvia and a host of others. Yet another blunk Premiership Saturday is due on November 15 because of the possibility that national teams could be involved in World Cup play-offs.

"We have got six games in two weeks coming up now." Wenger said. "and then another two weeks off. It is ridiculous. Because of the disparity in the number of games everyone has played. for the first time I cannot really judge what the Premier-

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ship is like.
"I think England should only cancel their Premiership games when England play. After all. Scotland is independent now isn't it? Fifa has to harmonise all the fixtures in Europe so that everybody plays on the same day. Maybe games could be bunched together more, too, so that England play on a Saturday and then a Wednesday like

some other countries. This is what they have to try to do at international level because it is not normal that

you stop for two weeks because of a match against Moldova. I am not a specialist on fixtures — I am just giving an opinion."

Wenger, who was speaking at Arsenal's team hotel near St Albans, also suggested that qualifying competitions for international tournaments should follow the model re-cently established by European club tournaments, where the less accomplished sides have to play qualifying rounds before they are allowed to join the bigger clubs, thus reducing the number of group matches that the leading teams have to play.
"I personally have a prob-

lem watching games like Germany against Armenia." Wenger said. "After the first five minutes. I am waiting for Germany to score the first goal. For me, that is not what the international level should

"England played very well against Moldova but Moldova are not really an international side. Sooner or later, the authorities are going to have to create a different or a lower level to reduce the number of matches that everyone plays."

Chelsea will have one eye on the Continent before they meet Crystal Palace at Selhurst Park where there will be a gathering of smarting Italians after the sudden change of fortunes in England's World Cup qualification group.

Wenger warned that unless some sort of reforms were initiated, Fifa would face a rebellion from the leading extortionate salaries to their leading players and then have to watch as they go absent on international duty for large swaths of the season.

He cited the example of Ronaldo, the Brazil forward signed by Internazionale for around £20 million. "I see that Inter have to release him for seven matches this season, Wenger said. They are all friendlies for Brazil. But say he misses a couple of games through injury and two more through suspension, suddenly he is only playing 20 games and there are only 34 matches in the Serie A season.

"At the end of a season. people look at how many points you have got and what position you finished in the table. They do not ask whether you had all your best players

Wenger devoted the rest of his press conference yesterday, though, to heaping praise on his forwards, lan Wright and Dennis Bergkamp, who between them have scored eight of Arsenal's nine goals this season. Both scored for

### British No 1 climbs into world's top ten



Rusedski drives a backhand on his way to victory over Arnold yesterday and a top-ten world ranking. Photograph: Ross Kinnaird/Allsport

### Rusedski soars to record heights

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"it's a hell of an effort from

Greg," Henman said. "It's

great, but it's not a great

surprise the way he's been

By ALIX RAMSAY

ANOTHER day, another \$18,400 (around £11,500), but most valuable of all to Greg Rusedski was the knowledge that, whatever the outcome of Samsung Open in Bournemouth yesterday, he would break into the world's top ten tennis players when the new rankings are issued on Monday. It will mark Rusedski down as the first British man to achieve such a ranking in the game. Just to underline the point. Rusedski beat Lucas

Arnold in straight sets to reach the semi-finals. The Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) Tour rankings system is not known for its simplicity and, earlier in the week, it had appeared that Rusedski would have to reach the final here to achieve a topten place. That, however, overlooked the small matter of

Thomas Muster. This time last year, Muster won a title in Bogota: this year there is no tournament in Bogota and he is not playing anywhere else, so he will lose all the points that he amassed there. As a result, the Austrian will drop out of the top ten next Monday and Rusedski will move up. It sounds simple, but it has taken those who are supposed to know the hest part of two days to work out. It is the highest ranking for

a British man since Roger Taylor climbed to No II in September 1973. Rusedski was delighted to have made the breakthrough, but no one told him before his quarterfinal in case it interrupted his but I had a sneaking suspicion that it could happen." he said. 'And if it didn't happen on Monday it would happen in

two weeks, anyway. But it was nice that it happened here in Bournemouth and nice that it happened on the clay courts. God. I'm a clay-courter now." The news also filtered through to Tashkent, in Uzbekistan, where Tim Henman reached the semi-finals of

their tournament with a 6-3, 6-4 win over Vince Spadea.

playing. He deserves it. To have two British men in the top 20 is not bad, but I need to start pulling my socks up now. That's what I'm doing out here this week."

### **Boost for Henman**

TIM HENMAN'S place in his fifth semi-final of the year, the President's Cup in Tashkent. Uzbekistan, is unlikely to shift him from his position at No 20 in the world rankings. Henman, the No.2 seed.

has, however, enjoyed an encouraging tournament and will follow up his victory over Vince Spadea, of the United States, with a semi-final against Francisco Clavet, of Spain, the Nob seed, Clavet thrashed Javier Sanchez, his fellow countryman, 6-1, 6-2. The other semi-linal will pit

Yevgeny Kafelnikov, of Russia, the No I seed, who beat Andrei Stoliarov, a qualifier, also from Russia. 6-4, 6-4. against Marc Rosset, of Switzerland. Rosset beat the unseeded Hicham Arazi, of

Rosset, who relies on a formidable service, said he was not happy with his allround play this week but would go in to his semi-final today with his confidence lifted by a career record against the Russian that stands at 6-1

Not that Rusedski is letting all the applause go to his head. His eyes are firmly set on an even higher ranking "No British player has been ranked so high and it's special to say I was the first to get into

"But I want to compete and get to the top. Fred Perry was the greatest player there ever was and, when you look at what he achieved. I don't think anyone will ever be able to repeat that. So I want to compare myself and model myself on that rather than just think about being in the top

Against Arnold yesterday. Rusedski was looking a little more rested than he had earlier this week and, opening his account with an ace, the first of 11, he was considerably sharper. Coming from Buenos Aires. Arnold is used to the slow pace of the clay courts and he gave Rusedski few chances in the first set. As the set moved to the inevitable tiehreak, though, he must have known that his days were numbered - Rusedski seems unbeatable in such situations

at present. So it proved. After a tough battle to break the Arnold service in the fifth game of the next set. Rusedski finally got his reward on the fifth break point and did not look back. He won 7-6, 6-3 and plays Carlos Moya, the top seed, today. Not that Moya

thinks that Rusedski should prove too tough an opponent.

I don't mind predictions like that," Rusedski said. "Ev-. eryone said I'd lose in the first round at Flushing Meadows and that all worked out quite nicely for me. I've got a greatopportunity this week impove my ranking further. It just keeps me motivated. If I can keep going and try my best in every match, my rank-

ing will get better."
The latest information on the rankings suggested that, should Rusedski beat Moya, the world No 5, and so reach the final here, he could climb to No 6 on Monday. Rusedski, though, sensible chap that he is, will not believe it until the rankings come out.

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### Lewis's last lap slips into realms of farce

Michael Calvin finds

a once-great athlete

bent on destroying

images of his heyday

oe Louis became a curiosity item in a wheelchair, greeting guests at a casino in Las Vegas, Pelé entered politics and John McEnroe grew the goatee that symbolised his arrival as an art dealer in New York. Carl Lewis has aimed somewhere in between and decided that his future lies as America's answer to Norman Wisdom. Lewis is already closer in spirit to Michael

Jackson than Michael Johnson, whom he accused in a memorable exchange between pot and kettle, of turning track and field into an "ego-fest". He is arguably the world's greatest all-round athlete and certainly his sport's most blatant self-publicist.

Want a sprinter in high heels? Carl's your man. Need an androgynous model for the summer catalogue? Lewis will oblige. Speeches, sincere or saccharin-sweet, according to taste, are a speciality. He has retired more often than Linford Christic and with even less grace than Diego Maradona. This season, which he has billed as "one long and pleasant victory lap", has been an insult to a legend

embellished by nine Olympic titles. He has willingly succumbed to the attrition



of the ageing process by running in develop-

ment races, posing in dream-team relays and pottering around Europe with the distracted air of a backpacker. He finally ahandoned the pretence of legitimacy in Tokyo last weekend when, wearing what appeared to be a tea towel over his newly-dreadlocked hair, he was deliberately beaten in a 100 metres against Japanese high-school students.

He makes positively his last appearance as a professional athlete today, as part of the half-time entertainment in a University of Houston football game. He will be more



Lewis, unlike Wisdom, has become decidedly unfunny as he attempts "physical comedy"

colourfully dressed than the cheerleaders and invoke the all-American virtues of momapple pie and weak beer with greater intensity than the coaches. His tendency to milk public acclaim suggests that he might have to be forcibly removed from the field by one of those steroidal linebackers who communicate in grunts.

Far better, surely, to remember him through the personalised freeze-frame images that are the calling cards of greatness. Think of him as the ghost of Jesse Owens in Los Angeles in 1984, or as the symbol of

vengeance, who inherited the gold medal fraudulently won by Ben Johnson in Scoul four years later. The long jump was his salvation in Barcelona and Atlanta, where he turned a crowded winner's press conference into another acting class by asking the assorted hacks, with mock alurm: "Hey, what

are you guys doing in my dream?"
We were living it with him, and loving it. His soundbites were as smooth as his stride pattern. He courted publicity, but remained aloof. He was everyone's acquaintance, but no one's close friend. He was a global figure, who yearned for recognition in his own country. The central inconsistencies of his life were abvious, but routinely overlooked.

etirement is the final frontier for any sporting icon and Lewis, at 36, is rushing towards his midlife crisis. "I am a restless soul," he said. "I know I will have to stay busy so I don't fall into the trap of getting nostalgic about the glory days." His plan, to concentrate on what he calls "physical comedy", is fraught with potential humiliation, but doubts are met with a shrug.

"If it works, great," he said. "If not, I know I can fall back on other things." He intends to promote a book every Olympic year until he reaches 50 and is to produce fitness videos for the Beatles Generation. He is to launch a range of formal wear and act as a salesman for the obiquitous Nike swoosh. When the price is right, he will peddle everything from exercise bikes to hair gel.

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